

DILTON MARSH C OF E PRIMARY SCHOOL

Newsletter 1 Term 2 - Friday 6th November

Dear parents/carers

I am excited to share that Mrs Down is pregnant and expecting her baby mid-February. We have secured an experienced teacher to cover her maternity leave from Term 3. We will be working with the Trust SEN leads to support those children with additional needs.

I am also excited about our new postcards to celebrate our school values and our Headteacher awards. Keep an eye out for the postman!



Learning highlights

Last term, Mr Foyle set us the task of learning and reciting a class poem. Our poem was called 'The Magic Box'. This is us just before reciting it. We had lots of fun learning it and look forward to learning this terms poem. Mrs Bown, Willow Class.





Writing

This week in school, every class has been writing their very own 'The day the crayons quit' by Drew Daywalt. They had to think creatively about which resources in school are not always treated with the respect 'they' deserve. We will be creating a whole school display of this work and will share some pictures of this with you once it is completed.

Children in Need—Friday 13th November 2020

We are inviting you to wear a spotty top or paint spots on your face in return for a £1 donation to Children in Need. Please no hairbands or Pudsey ears that can be removed and fiddled with. Thank you.



Christmas plans

We are doing what we can to make plans for Christmas.

We will be having a **Mufti Day on Friday 4th December 2020** in exchange for donations of items that we can use to create Christmas hampers. We will be sending home raffle tickets for you to buy ready for the draw which will take place on 17th December. Further details from FODS to follow.

Christmas dinner is provisionally booked on 15th, 16th and 17th December depending on your child's class.

Watch this space!

Let's celebrate!

Nominated by Mrs Down in Lime Class:

- Emily for remembering super facts about Guy Fawkes.
- Roman for amazing independent fireworks writing.
- Isabella for amazing independent fireworks writing.

Nominated by Mrs Lazar in Cherry Class:

* Alice S, Maia and William K for being such kind members of Cherry Class.

Nominated by Mrs Broad in Ash Class:

- Ava for amazing effort in phonics and reading.
- Charlie for working so hard this term.

Nominated by Mrs Bown in Willow Class:

- Noah for doing additional research at home about the Stone Age.
- Ethan for great maths.

Nominated by Miss Tout in Chestnut Class:

- James for his science presentation.
- Hollie for her fabulous letter writing.

Nominated by Mr Bullen in Beech Class:

Maisie for always giving 100% effort in her work.

Nominated by Mr Foyle in Oak Class:

* Jude for carrying out extra research for our class topic.

Dilton's Maths Magicians:

Lime ClassDylanCherry ClassTedAsh ClassDylanWillow ClassLoganChestnut ClassAydenBeech ClassJamesOak ClassCoco



Stars of the week

Lime Class Luca
Cherry Class Edison
Ash Class Pixie
Willow Class Leona
Chestnut Class Mia
Beech Class Ashton
Oak Class Charlie H

Congratulations to Kallum and Abigail in Willow class who have achieved their pen licence this week.



Community support

IN NEED OF HELP, SIGNPOSTING OR SUPPORT?



Although Crosspoint, based in the Westbury Market Place, is not currently open as a drop-in centre during the pandemic, we are able to offer appointments for local people who need help with issues like:

- completing government forms
- applying for benefits
- preparing a CV
- applying for jobs
- Writing letters
- using a laptop, printer or scanner

IN NEED OF FOOD?

We also know that there are many families within our community who are currently suffering hardship due to unemployment, benefit delays and illness. Many of these families are finding it difficult to buy enough food. If you find yourself in this position, phone Westbury Town Council on 01373 822232 from where the Open Westbury food project is being co-ordinated.



Please phone **01373 824330** and leave a message, your call will be returned within one working day. If you cannot be helped by telephone, you will be offered an appointment to see one of our trained volunteers.

Free School Meals

Free School Meals are available to eligible children that attend school within Wiltshire on a fulltime basis.

You must be in receipt of one of the benefits listed below to be eligible for Free School Meals for your child or children.

- Income Support
- Job Seeker's Allowance (income-based)
- Employment and Support Allowance (income-related)
- support under part six of the Immigration and Asylum Act 1999
- the Guarantee element of State Pension Credit
- Child Tax Credit providing you are NOT entitled to Working Tax Credit and your family's annual income (as assessed by HMRC) is not more than £16,190 (as at 6 April 2012)
- Working Tax Credit 'run-on' the payment you may receive for a further four weeks after you stop qualifying for Working Tax Credit
- Universal Credit

If you think that you may qualify for Free School Meals please see the application form on our website for you to complete. https://www.diltonmarsh.wilts.sch.uk/website/school meals/223334