

DILTON MARSH C OF E PRIMARY SCHOOL

Newsletter 2 Term 1 - Friday 16th September 2022

Dear parents and carers

Thank you to everyone for attending the Meet the Headteacher session on Wednesday, it was great to see you. At the meeting we were joined by our Chair of Academy Council, Hilary Fairfield. Hilary explained the role of our Academy Councillors as we are currently looking to appoint two Parent Governors. If you are interested in filling these roles please come and talk with me for more information.

Traditionally week 3 of term 1 tends to be the hardest in school. The adults are all tired and the children are just realising this is the new routine, half term seems ages away. If your child is finding it hard please contact us. If it is a quick message or question you can email or ask for a phone call if you feel you need more of a conversation with your class teacher. We can often clear up misunderstandings and put your mind at rest very quickly.



FODS

FODS Charity (Friends of Dilton School) are holding a meeting on Monday 26th September 7:30pm at The Hollies. We'll be talking about and planning upcoming school events for the children, such as film nights and discos. We always welcome new members, so if you feel you could lend a hand then please come along. All welcome.



Remembering our Queen

A big thank you to Darren and Ingrid Hart (parents to Elena in Cherry Class) for leaving flowers and a card at Buckingham Palace on behalf of Dilton Marsh Primary School.

As a school we have been following a period of mourning, helping the children to understand everything that has happened this past week and how to deal with their feelings. This includes a book of condolence here at school for all of the staff and pupils to write a message if they wish.



SEN Surgeries

We are pleased to share that from 29th September, our SENCo Mrs Down will be available for a drop in surgery every other Thursday morning. Any concerns or queries about your child's progress should be addressed to your class teacher in the first instance. Mrs Down will be available to advise and support on specific SEN concerns. Please contact the school office to book a 20 minute slot.

Parent Governor vacancies

We currently have two vacancies for Parent Governors on our Academy Council. Please see the information at the end of this newsletter. If you think you would be interested please come and collect an application form from the school office.

Bank Holiday	Monday 19th September 2022	
Non-Uniform Day for Acorn Appeal	Friday 30th September 2022	
Individual school photos	Wednesday 5th October 2022	
Parents' Consultations	Week beginning 10/10/2022	
Yr 5/6 Football tournament at Kingdown (further details to follow)	Monday 10th October 2022	
End of Term 1	Tuesday 18th October 2022	
Inset Day - school closed to children	Wednesday 19th October 2022	
Start of Term 2	Monday 31st October 2022	

Let's celebrate!

Headteacher's Awards



* Bay (Willow Class) for super speaking.

Lime Class Cherry Class	Jacob for fantastic effort in phonics. Arlo for outstanding attitude to all his work.			
Ash Class	ass Ryley for using compassion all week and helping as many people as possible!			
Willow Class	Daisy for showing such respect and compassion for all member of Willow class, always looking out for others.			
Chestnut Class	Pixie for a fantastic start to the year and a positive attitude.			
Beech Class Oak Class	Chloe for growing in confidence when answering questions. Evie for focused learning.			

Dilton's Star Writer:

Lime Class	Jasmine for name writing.
Cherry Class	Iris for super sentences.
Ash Class	Emily for using wonderful adjectives in her sentences.
Willow Class	Carlos for using some amazing emotive language in his writing.
Chestnut Class	Dylan for some brilliant sentences about the kind wolf.
Beech Class	Abigail for her super sentence stacking about chocolate!
Oak Class	Harry for sentence stacking about character.

Cameron in Oak Class is a keen photographer. Last Saturday he won the Westbury Leigh 10 years and under photography competition. Cameron entered two photos and came 1st and 2nd and successfully made £25 from the sale of all his photos at the exhibition. Well done Cameron!





House Points

Hawk	Kestrel	Falcon	Merlin
8	5	4	4

Leaning the Ukulele

Willow and Chestnut Class had great fun going across to the mobile for their music lesson where they will be learning to play the ukulele this term.





Parent Academy Council Governor

Dilton Marsh Primary School

Would you like to take an active role in supporting our school and its pupils?

'Preparing young people for their world in their time'.

This is the vision of the Acorn Education Trust that was formed in August 2014 to create a local solution to a national strategy. Through close collaboration and a shared vision we believe each school will achieve great things while retaining their individual identity.

The Governors within the Acorn Trust join us through a variety of routes and with a range of different backgrounds, skills and experiences. They are all volunteers who work together for the benefit of the individual schools and Trust as a whole. Governors are the most important volunteer workforce in education and we value the link that governors provide between the academy councils and the communities they serve.

Dilton Marsh school is currently looking for a parent Academy Council Governor. An Academy Council is what a traditional School Governing Body has evolved in to in our Academy Trust. While the role is slightly different and we would encourage anyone interested to get in touch and discuss what the role entails, we would also be delighted to hear from anyone who has:

• An interest in supporting our pupils from our most vulnerable to our most able

- An open and enquiring mind with a good sense of humour!
- The confidence to ask questions
- The ability to work well with others
- Time to spare (there will be 4 meetings during the working day, either in person or via Teams, school visits, training and Chairs meetings)
- And most importantly enthusiasm!

What we can offer is:

- A real sense of achievement
- The pleasure of helping our pupils reach their potential
- The opportunity to work with our team of governors and staff in improving our school
- Training to develop an understanding of the role
- An insight into the education system including the structure of a Multi Academy Trust.

If you have the skills, time, commitment and discretion to help Dilton Marsh school move forward please contact Zoe Stockley at zas@acorneducationtrust.com .

Closing date: 23/9/2022

Dilton Marsh school and the Acorn Education Trust is committed to safeguarding and promoting the welfare of children and young people and expects all staff and volunteers to share this commitment. All applicants will be subject to a full Disclosure and Barring Service check before appointment is confirmed. We are an equal opportunities employer.