

DILTON MARSH C of E PRIMARY SCHOOL FRIDAY NEWS

Friday 8th February 2019

Wow! The children and staff have definitely got into the spirit of Dress Up for Storytelling week even if it is a week later than planned. Thank you to all the parents and carers who have helped the children decide which character to be and to create the wonderful outfits.

Our dress up day is the culmination of activities revolving around telling stories. Each class has taken part in a Storytelling Competition which Mr Foyle and I judged. We were incredibly impressed with all the performances but unfortunately only one class could win the ultimate prize of the Storytelling Trophy! Well done to Chestnut Class for their performance retelling the start of The Iron Man. They will be performing this again in their class assembly next Wednesday so make sure you don't miss it!

This week I have met with the company who are taking over Dilton Marsh Pre-School. Step Up Pre-School will be moving into the Pre-school mobile over the holidays and starting as Step Up @ Dilton Marsh in the new term. Step Up have previously operated from Westbury Leigh Community Centre so are very excited to move into their own home. Mary-Ann and Karen will continue to work in the Pre-School for Step Up.

Don't forget we are now on Twitter, posting information and photos of what is happening in school. You can follow us by searching for @DiltonMarshSch.

Jill Hibbs









Celebration Assembly

Most weeks we hold a Class Celebration Assembly where we welcome families in to school to celebrate the children's amazing work.

Our next Celebration Assembly will be on Wednesday 13th February and will be Chestnut Class. Please join us at 2.30pm.

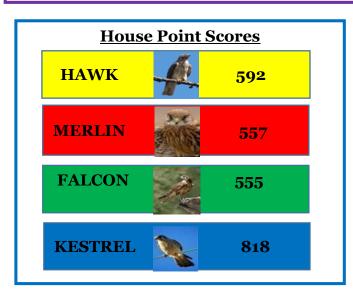
Forthcoming events:

- Dance Festival
- Tag Rugby Tournament
- Gymnastics Competition
- Athletics Competition



Reminders:

- Please ensure PE Kits are in school every day and they contain <u>a warm jacket</u> <u>and trousers for outside PE</u> <u>lessons</u>
- Please check regularly for Head Lice and treat if necessary
- Please clearly label all coats, uniform and PE kit
- Please regularly check your child has not outgrown their daps/trainers





Community Cohesion

Our Christian value for the term is:

RESPECT

Each term we will have a focus on an important value in our school and within the community which will be high profile in class and feature in assemblies

After School Annual Pass

Fairwood Lakes have introduced a new pass which gives entry to their soft play from 3pm onwards, Monday to Friday, during term time.

Each pass will cost £10 which is a huge saving as usual admission is £2.50 for 1-3 year olds and £4.75 for children 4+

On top of this already fantastic deal, Fairwood Lakes have chosen to make this a school fundraising opportunity where the **ENTIRE** funds raised will go to school!

Thank you Fairwood Lakes.





Elsie (5) Mia L (6) Orla (5) Brinley (7)





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Good Luck to our dance troop who will be performing in the West Wiltshire Partnership Dance Festival at Bath Forum on Thursday evening.

If you are parents of our dancers and haven't yet bought tickets, there are only a few left, so please ensure you book in advance to avoid disappointment.

Reporting Absence

Please notify the office of absence before 9.00am each day. If we do not hear from you, we will phone you to ascertain the nature of absence. *Please note:* a child with sickness or an upset stomach should remain away from school for 48hrs after the last episode of illness.

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This week: Attendance:95.9% Absence:4.1%

Learning time lost this week: 31 days

Weekly Class Attendance Trophy

This week the winners are Oak Class

Congratulations



Please ensure you have placed your dinner orders on





Treetops Breakfast Club

Monday-Friday

Open from 7.30am-8.30am

£4 a session

Forms are available on our website or from the office

Each week, our Sports Coach will choose a 'Super Sports Star' from each class.

This week the awards were given to:

Lime Class: Finley P Cherry Class: Harry Ash Class: Poppy Willow Class: Anderson

Chestnut Class: Anderson Chestnut Class: Reuben Beech Class: Monte Oak Class: Joseph













Congratulations to our 'Super Sports Stars'

https://www.yourschoolgames.com

Every week, two children from each class are awarded the 'Shining Star' certificate. This award is given to children that are setting a good example by showing extra effort with their learning, perfect behaviour or generally having a good attitude to every aspect of school. Although this is celebrated in our Friday assembly, we thought the children deserved a special mention:

Lime Class: Elsie & Olivia Cherry Class: Isabelle & Roarke Ash Class: Finlay-Ray & Ayden Willow Class: Harley & Noah Chestnut Class: Amber & William Beech Class: Liberty & Archie Oak Class: Lauren & Thandoe



Congratulations to our 'Shining Stars'

Star Writers

We are always impressed with the outstanding quality of the children's writing, and whilst we recognise this in our classes, we thought it would be nice to celebrate these amazing skills with the school community. So, every two weeks, one piece of work from each class will be chosen and hung on our new 'Star Writers' display. The children will also receive a certificate and a special mention here.

Lime Class: Zachary Cherry Class: Ethan Ash Class: Evelyn Willow Class: Max Chestnut Class: Ollie Beech Class: Riley Oak Class: Shannon

Fri 15th

Wed 20th

Thu 21st

2.30pm

6pm

Congratulations to our 'Star Writers'

		Dates for your Diary	
<u>February</u>			
Wed 13 th	2.30pm	Chestnut Celebration Assembly	
Wed 13 th		NO Art Club due to staff training	
Thu 14 th		Dance Festival at Bath Forum	
Thu 14th		NO ICT Club	
Fri 15 th		Teacher Training Day	_
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Mon 25 th		Return to school	914
Wed 27 th	2.30pm	Willow Class Celebration Assembly	DI Branch
Thu 28 th		Chestnut Class Swimming	
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Wed 6 th	2.30pm	Ash Class Celebration Assembly	
Thu 7 th		Chestnut Class Swimming	
Fri 8 th	8.30am	EYFS & KS1 'Stay & Play' for parents	
Fri 8th	9am	EYFS & KS1 Coffee Morning	
Wed 13 th	2.30pm	Cherry Class Celebration Assembly	
Thu 14 th		Chestnut Class Swimming	
Thu 14 th		Choir to perform at Lions Concert	
Fri 15 th	9am	KS2 Coffee Morning	

Red Nose Day

Lime Class Celebration Assembly

KS1 & KS2 Maths Evening for parents who were unable to attend last time

We enjoyed some more superb storytelling this week, this time from our Open the Book. Thank you to our visitors and their assistants, Harriet and Charlie.







Dear Parents/Carers,

We have recently looked at ways of improving our teaching of reading across the school. We believe that children should develop a love of reading and this is what we are aiming to achieve through our new reading curriculum. The Power of Reading focuses on emphasising the importance of books and literature to enable our children to become confident, happy and enthusiastic readers and writers.

We know that there are books which lend themselves to being talked about and which are engaging for children for a variety of reasons. They tend to be texts with powerful stories which engage children, stir ideas and feelings and excite the children's interest and imagination. They are books that children will want to re-read and remember. Texts such as these can take many forms – poetry, picture books (with or without words), information texts, chapter books, modern stories or famous classics. We have developed our very own Dilton Marsh Reading Spine which has a wide range of high-quality reading material.

We believe that the children benefit from being able to see the text in front of them. With support from FODS, we have been able to buy 15 copies of each book from our Reading Spine for each class. However, if you would like your child to have their own copy, you are more than welcome to purchase this for them. It may benefit your child having easy access to their own book as the class read through the text. This is completely up to you as a parent/carer. We have provided you with the Dilton Marsh Reading Spine so you're able to see which books your child is going to read. Furthermore, there are recommended books which are related to our books, please ask your teacher if you'd like to know these and purchase them.

Thank you for all your support. Please continue to read as much as you can with your children, whether it is in the car, at the dinner table or before bed, it will truly make a difference to your child's education. Next term, we are running a 'Read at Home' class competition where we will compare the percentage of children reading at home from each class. Look out for more details of this closer to the time.

"If you are going to get anywhere in life you have to read a lot of books." - Roald Dahl.

Many thanks,

Mr Foyle

Head of English

EYFS Reading Books

Term 1	
Term 2	Owl Babies by Martin Waddell
Term 3	The Gigantic Turnip by Alexsei Tolstoy
Term 4	We're Going On A Bear Hunt by Michael Rosen
Term 5	Hooray For Fish by Lucy Cousins
Term 6	Handa's Surprise by Eileen Browne

Year 1 Reading Books

Term 2 Mo	Moth. An Evolution Story by Isabel Thomas	
Term 3 Bee	eegu by Alexis Deacon	
Term 4 The	ne Jolly Postman by Janet and Allan Ahlberg	
Term 5 The	ne Snail and the Whale by Julia Donaldson	
Term 6 The	ne Puffin Book of Fantastic First Poems by June Crebbin	
10	Things I Can Do To Help My World by Melanie Walsh	

Year 2 Reading Books

Term 1		
Term 2	Rapunzel by Bethan Woollvin	
Term 3	The Emperor's Egg by Martin Jenkins	
Term 4	The Hodgeheg by Dick King-Smith	
Term 5	The Secret of Black Rock by Joe Todd-Stanton	
Term 6	The Magic Finger by Roald Dahl The Firebird by Saviour Pirotta	

Year 3 Reading Books

Term 1	The Great Kapok Tree by Lynne Cherry	
Term 2	Into the Forest by Anthony Browne	
Term 3	Lob by Linda Newbery	
Term 4	Moon Man by Tomi Ungerer	
Term 5	Oliver and the Seawigs by Philip Reeve	
Term 6	Charlotte's Web by E.B White	

Year 4 Reading Books

Term 1	Gorilla by Anthony Brown	
Term 2	The Tin Forest by Helen Ward	
Term 3	Ironman by Ted Hughes	
Term 4	Arthur and The Golden Rope by Joe Todd-Stanton	
Term 5	The Miraculous Journey of Edward Tulane by Kate DiCamillo	
Term 6	The Green Ship by Quentin Blake	

Year 5 Reading Books

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Term 1	Holes by Louis Sachar	
Term 2	Street Child by Bertie Doherty	
Term 3	Cosmic by Frank Cotterill-Boyce	
Term 4	ICE TRAP! Shackleton's Incredible Expedition by Meredith Hooper/	
	Shackleton's Journey by William Grill	
Term 5	The Highwayman by Alfred Noyes	
Term 6	Rose Blanche by Roberto Innocenti	

Year 6 Reading Books

Term 1	Skellig by David Almond	
Term 2	The Journey by Francesca Sanna	
Term 3	The Boy in The Striped Pyjamas by John Boyce	
Term 4	Pig Heart Boy by Malorie Blackman	
Term 5	Tom's Midnight Garden by Philipa Pearce (Graphic Novel)	
Term 6	Dark Sky Park by Philip Gross	