

# DILTON MARSH C of E PRIMARY SCHOOL FRIDAY NEWS

# Friday 7th September 2018

Welcome back everyone! I hope you are all refreshed after a lovely holiday.

We are only four days in to the new school year, yet everyone has already settled in brilliantly–Reception class and our new children in other year groups have settled so well, it is like they have been here forever! Well done to you all.

Thank you all for your support on our change to the routine at the start of the day. I appreciate that the first two days were very busy outside and there were a few teething issues. Hopefully we have now rectified those issues, and I have to say the last two days have been very calm and orderly. The children have adapted brilliantly and the teachers are reporting that the start of the day is so much calmer and conducive to learning.

There has been some confusion over whether parents need to stay in the playground or not in the morning so I thought it may be useful to give you the following information:

- Children should not arrive in school before 8.30am unless they are attending breakfast club
- The school gate will be opened at 8.30am
- A senior member of staff and Mrs Hyde will man the gate daily. No child would be able to leave the playground via the gate unseen.
- The playground will be staffed every morning by at least ten members of staff
- Parents can drop children at the gate or in the playground from 8.30am
- Parents are welcome to leave after dropping their child or are welcome to remain in the playground until the bell goes
- All children must be in school by the time the bell is rung as 8.45am
- All staff have been asked to keep a very close eye on our youngest children and ensure that they are happy and safe (this of course also extends to all of our children)
- Once the bell goes and children line up, we ask that parents leave the site so that we can lock the gate
  to secure the site
- On a Friday morning, parents of reception children are welcome to enter the Reception class along with Miss Williamson and Mrs Chalke from 8.30am. Miss Williamson will signal when parents should leave the classroom.

Once again, thank you for your ongoing support. We will also be providing opportunities throughout the year for parents to come into school and learn alongside their child and also to gain information on how best to help support your child's learning at home. We will regularly publish key dates regarding these events within the weekly newsletter.

Other opportunities to join us in school can be found in the Dates for Diary section of our newsletters. If you would like to talk to your child's teacher or pass on a message at any point, please feel free to ask Ali or Vicki in the office and they will happily arrange it for you.

The children are looking very smart, please continue this throughout the year as sweatshirts/cardigans need to be worn during assemblies, and trainers are unacceptable unless for PE lessons.

Please ensure PE kits come in to school on Monday mornings and remain in school until Friday and coats are brought to school. Once the weather starts to dip, the children will not be allowed outside without one. As always, please check everything is clearly named.

#### Safeguarding:

please inform the office of your contact details, 3pm home arrangements or if your child's medical needs have changed so we can update our records.

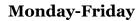
We have a very full term ahead. Our first House Challenge will be set next week closely followed by an Open Morning for prospective new parents, 'Meet the Teacher' evenings and the Macmillan Coffee Morning. Meanwhile, the children will be getting to know their new teacher and learning about new topics. For more information, please see the class pages on our school website.

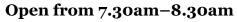
As we focus on the year ahead, I would like to thank you for your ongoing support; we have fantastic children here and we look forward to working with you to help the children fulfil their potential.

Best wishes

Miss Ronxin

## **Treetops Breakfast Club**





£4 a session

Forms are available on our website or from the office



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#### **Happy Birthday**

Immy(10) Harry(6) Milo(8) Coco(9) James(5) Thandoe(11)



#### **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 19<sup>th</sup> September and will be Oak class.

Please join us at 2.30pm.

#### **Community Cohesion**

Our Christian value for the month is:

## **Perseverance**

Each month 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

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Open Morning Tuesday 18th September 9am–10am & 11am-12noon



Macmillan Coffee Morning
Friday 28<sup>th</sup> September
8.45am – 9.30am in the school hall

Please bring cake donations & join us to help raise money for Macmillan Cancer Support.

If you can help set-up at 8.30am or help with the Coffee Morning, please speak to Vicki in the office. Thank you



#### Quote of the month:



## **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.

Tel: 01373 822902 or e-mail

office@diltonmarsh.wilts.sch.uk

Please remember NO nuts or products that contain nuts to be brought in to school due to severe allergies.

Thank you for your co-operation





#### **Achievements**

Elsa & Lyra passed Stage 4 swimming and are now Blue hats!

Mia Mitchell achieved a Merit in her Grade 2
 Violin exam, and a Distinction in her Grade 2
 Technical Ballet exam!

Congratulations

FODS
(Friends of Dilton School)

#### **October**

Mon 22<sup>nd</sup>

AGM

#### **December**

Fri 7<sup>th</sup>

Christmas Fayre

Chair: Sarah Yeadon Vice-Chair: Amanda Hudd Secretary: Zoe Hills Treasurer: Lucy Budd

Please place your dinner orders on



Thank you

Scholastic Book Club orders to be returned to the office by Monday 1st October please.



Payment by cheque payable to **Scholastic Ltd** or card details to be quoted on the order form please – no cash.

#### **UPCOMING DATES**

#### EYFS & KS1

6-7.15pm Thursday 20<sup>th</sup> September: EYFS Parent's Tapestry & KS1 class talk followed by introduction to phonics and reading

#### Yr2/1

6-7.15pm Wednesday 26<sup>th</sup> September: Meet the teacher followed by introduction to reading, E-safety and social media

#### Yr5/6

6-7.15pm Thursday 27<sup>th</sup> September: Meet the teacher followed by introduction to readin, E-safety and social media

## Checklist for the new academic year

- o **Contact details** have you informed us of <u>all</u> changes? i.e. new contacts, new address, new mobile, new email addresses
- Medical requirements has anything changed? Does your child need glasses? Have they developed any new allergies? Is their asthma inhaler in date and in school at all times?
- o **Collection arrangements** have these changed? Have you informed the office? If you have an occasional change, please inform the class teacher or the office in the morning
- Uniform Please ensure all uniform is named (especially sweatshirts and cardigans) we cannot be responsible for lost unnamed items. All children must have a school cardigan or sweatshirt assembly.
- o **School shoes** Sensible shoes <u>not</u> trainers should be worn.
- PE kit All children must take part in PE lessons if your child has a medical reason for not doing so, please send a letter. A named PE kit consisting of; house colour t-shirt, black shorts, trainers or black daps <u>must</u> be in school every day. For the winter plain tracksuit bottoms or leggings and a change off sweatshirt can be worn.
- Socks/tights Should be plain black, grey or white.
- o **School meals** Should be ordered at least 7 days in advance via WisePay. If you are unable to access the internet or have lost your password, please speak to the office. If your financial circumstances have changed and you are claiming any allowances you could be entitled to Free School Meals, please speak to the office.
- o **Snacks for playtime** The children in Reception and KS1 are provided with fruit on a daily basis as part of the National 5 a day Scheme. Any extra fruit we have is offered to KS2 however, if your child is in KS2 (Yr3-6), it is advisable to provide them with something to eat mid-morning to keep up their energy levels until lunchtime. As a healthy school we encourage healthy snacks please. Also, each child is encouraged to bring a named water bottle each day to allow them to drink plenty.
- Weekly Newsletter Published on our website weekly on a Friday as well as being emailed to you. Please try to set aside a few minutes to read as it is a great way to keep up to date with what's going on in school.
- Attendance Every day counts It is extremely important that your child comes to school every day and are on time. The playground gate opens at 8.30 am and the bell for registration is at 8.45 am. No child should arrive before 8.30 am unless they are in breakfast club. If your child needs to visit the doctors or dentist please try to arrange appointments for after school or in school holidays.
- WE ARE A 'NUT FREE SCHOOL' AS WE HAVE CHILDREN AND A MEMBER
  OF STAFF IN SCHOOL WITH VERY SEVERE NUT ALLERGIES. PLEASE
  ENSURE YOUR CHILD'S SNACK AND LUNCH BOX CONTAIN
  ABSOULUTELY NO NUTS OR NUT PRODUCTS EG.PEANUT BUTTER.

#### Year 6 parents:

Secondary School Applications must be made by 31st October.

Apply online: www.wiltshire.gov.uk

#### **Readers:**

Each class would like helpers to listen to readers...

If you can spare 30mins/45mins a week, on a regular basis and are willing to have a DBS check, please speak to the office.

Thank you

## **Dates for your Diary**

**September** 

Tue 11<sup>th</sup> Matravers visiting Yr5 & 6 Thu 13<sup>th</sup> & Fri 14<sup>th</sup> Reception finish at 1pm

w/c 17<sup>th</sup> Reception full time

Tue 18<sup>th</sup> Open Day for prospective parents (9am-10am & 11am-12)

Wed 19<sup>th</sup> Oak Class Celebration Assembly

Thu 20<sup>th</sup> 6-7.15pm KS1 Meet the Teacher & EYFS Parents Tapestry Meeting followed

by an introduction to Phonics and reading

Tue 25<sup>th</sup> Young Ambassador Conference Wed 26<sup>th</sup> Beech Class Celebration Assembly

Wed 26<sup>th</sup> 6-7.15pm Yr<sub>3</sub> & Yr<sub>4</sub> Meet the Teacher followed by an update on reading,

e-safety and social media

Thu 27<sup>th</sup> 6-7.15pm Yr5 & Yr6 Meet the Teacher followed by an update on reading and

e-safety

Fri 28<sup>th</sup> 8.45-9.30am Macmillan Coffee Morning

**October** 

Wed 3<sup>rd</sup> Chestnut Class Celebration Assembly

Fri 5<sup>th</sup> 8.45-10am EYFS parents 'Stay & Learn'

Fri 5<sup>th</sup> 10am EYFS Coffee Morning

Tue 9<sup>th</sup> 4.15-7pm Parents Evening

Wed 10<sup>th</sup> Harvest Festival in church

Tue 16<sup>th</sup> 3.15-5pm Parents Evening

Wed 17<sup>th</sup> Willow Class Celebration Assembly

Fri 19<sup>th</sup> 10am KS1 Coffee Morning Mon 22<sup>nd</sup> 6pm FODS AGM

Tues 23<sup>rd</sup> 3pm Break-up for holiday
Wed 24<sup>th</sup> Teacher Training Day
Thu 25<sup>th</sup> Start of holiday

**November** 

 $\begin{array}{lll} \text{Mon 5}^{\text{th}} & \text{Return to school} \\ \text{Mon 5}^{\text{th}} & \text{School photos} \\ \text{Wed 7}^{\text{th}} & \text{Celebration Assembly} \\ \text{Sun 11}^{\text{th}} & \text{Remembrance Sunday} \\ \text{Wed 14}^{\text{th}} & \text{Celebration Assembly} \\ \end{array}$ 

Thu 15<sup>th</sup> 1.45-2.45pm Open Afternoon

Fri 16<sup>th</sup> Children in Need – non-school uniform day

Wed 21<sup>st</sup> Celebration Assembly Fri 23<sup>rd</sup> 10am KS2 Coffee Morning

Tue 27<sup>th</sup> 8.45-9.45am EYFS parents 'Stay & Learn'

Wed 28th Celebration Assembly

**December** 

Wed 5<sup>th</sup> Celebration Assembly
Fri 7<sup>th</sup> 4pm-6pm Christmas Fayre
Wed 12<sup>th</sup> Flu Vaccinations

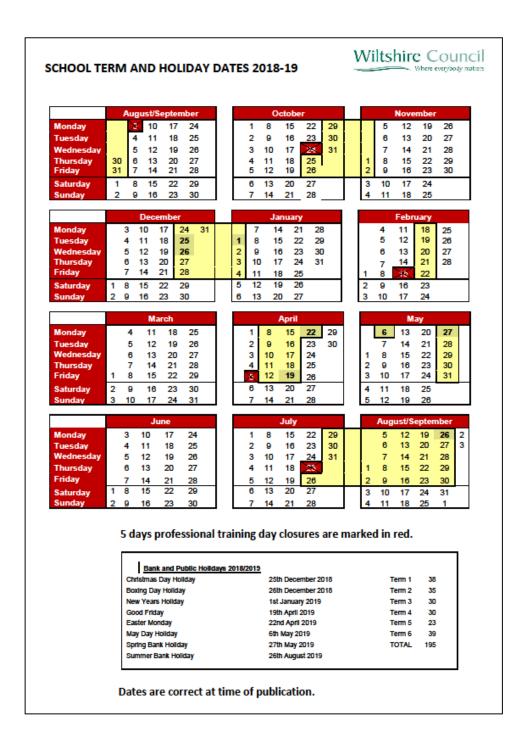
Fri 21st 12noon break up for Christmas

**January** 

Mon 7<sup>th</sup> Return to school

#### **Please note:**

From 8.30am every Friday, Reception Class parents are welcome to go in to the classroom with their children. All we ask is that you leave before the register is called at 8.45am please.



## **Catering Assistant required**

A post has arisen for a Catering Assistant to join our team.

The hours will be 2 hours a day (10 hours a week) from 11.15 am to 1.15 pm term time only. Start date Monday 24<sup>th</sup> September'18

Tasks will include, setting up the hall for lunch, washing up, serving food as well as some food preparation.

A level 2 food hygiene certificate would be an advantage although this can be arranged and the successful applicant will have to be prepared to be DBS checked.

If you are interested please speak to Vicki or Ali in the office.

Closing date: Friday 14th September 2019