

# DILTON MARSH C OF E PRIMARY SCHOOL

# **Newsletter 5 Term 4 - Friday 26th March 2021**



#### Dear parents and carers

On Wednesday we say goodbye to Miss Ward who has been covering Mrs Down's maternity leave this term. Miss Ward has secured a permanent post closer to her home. We wish her all the best and thanks for teaching Lime Class in the most difficult of times. We welcome Miss Dagnall who will be teaching Lime Class in Terms 5 and 6.

Since half term we have been busy revisiting our curriculum offer to the children. Whilst planning the remainder of the year the teachers have reviewed lost learning in non-core subjects (not English and Maths) to ensure that the children will have covered most areas by the summer. In some cases this has meant combining content from 2 subsequent years. Each time we introduce a new theme we start with a review of previous knowledge so that we know what the children know securely and what they need to re-visit. We have also introduced a system to help children remember more. Each class has a green 'crocodile' box which includes questions related to what they have learnt. These questions are asked either daily, weekly or every couple of months. The idea is that as children frequently practice the questions the knowledge moves into their long term memory and should therefore be retained.

# Jill Hibbs

#### Headteacher

## Let's celebrate!

- \* Ben (Willow Class) for always persevering with his work.
- \* Bojack (Lime Class) for an amazing written recount of 'The Enormous Turnip'.
- Ellie (Beech Class) for her excellent poem on Hope.
- \* Freddie H and Jack for wonderful phonics with Mrs Morgan.



Congratulations to Ayden and Ruby in Chestnut Class who have both achieved their pen licence this week.



## Stars of the week:

**Lime Class** Layla for trying extra hard with her reading and tricky words at home.

Cherry Class Sophia for working independently in her writing for the first time and editing it to

make sure it makes sense.

**Ash Class** George for his general enthusiasm and amazing ideas.

Willow Class Jessica for writing a super setting description.

Chestnut Class Chloe for her deep thinking during RE this week.

Beech Class Oliver for good writing.

**Oak Class** Jude for such a great sense of humour alongside a great work ethic.



Lime Class Poppie for doing some excellent representations of numbers up to 10 using a

10 frame.

Cherry Class Alice O for persevering in her maths assessments this week and having a go at every

question.

**Ash Class** Oscar for always explain himself so carefully and making links in his maths.

Willow Class Summer for fabulous fractions work.

**Chestnut Class** Cameron for his excellent reasoning with decimals.

**Beech Class** Thomas for good percentages work.

Oak Class Solomon for working through all his maths questions accurately and quickly.



## **Easter donations**

A big thank you to Sue Gibbs, the Grandparent of a pupil in Cherry Class, who has generously made a monetary donation to FODS for Easter. This has allowed FODS to gift each child in school with a chocolate bunny, which they will come home with today.



# **Easter Service reminder**

We would like to invite parents to our virtual Easter Worship on the last day of term, Wednesday 31<sup>st</sup> March at 2pm. All the classes will be sharing a short item, as they would do in Church. Invites will be sent out through the children's TEAMS accounts. Please let your child's teacher know by **Tuesday** if you would like to attend and which TEAMS account you would like to use.

# Dates for your diary:

Wednesday 31/3/21 Virtual Easter Worship 2pm

Wednesday 31/3/21 Last day of Term 4 (Normal finish time)

Thursday 1/4/21 - Friday 16/4/21 Easter Holidays

Monday 19/4/21 Start of Term 5

Monday 31/5/21—Friday 4/6/21 Half Term

Monday 7/6/21 Start of Term 6

Wednesday 21/7/21 Leavers' Service (COVID dependent)

End of Term 6 for the summer holidays (FINISH 12pm)

# School calendar and inset days 2021/22

Please see below our calendar for next academic year. 5 days are for professional training day closures during term time, set by the Headteacher and Acorn Education Trust. These are: 1<sup>st</sup> September, 1<sup>st</sup> November, 4<sup>th</sup> January, 25<sup>th</sup> July. One extra day will be taken in Term 1 or 2 depending on the completion of some building work. We will notify you of this as soon as we can.





## SCHOOL TERM AND HOLIDAY DATES 2021-22

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Saturday	5 12 19 26		

Dates are correct at time of publication - if dates change we will give you as much notice as possible

School holidays	
Bank holidays	
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KS2 Assessment Week	
Year 1 Phonics testing	
End of KS1 Assessments will take place throughout May	
Year 4 Times Tables Assessments to be taken between 6th and 24th June	