



# DILTON MARSH C of E PRIMARY SCHOOL

## FRIDAY NEWS

Friday 7<sup>th</sup> April 2017

I cannot believe that I am writing to you at the end of another term; despite being a long term, it really has flown by! This week has been full of singing, sporting events, adventures, happiness and sad times. We have had lots of visitors in school this week to work with the children.

On Wednesday we welcomed the Welsh Bird of Prey Centre to school. Mike bought 7 beautiful birds of prey, he spoke to all the children about the birds and then choose some children from each class to hold a Peregrine Falcon. It was a wonderful experience for the children and staff. Thank you to Heidi Loh (Darcie's Mum) for arranging the visit for us.

Year 6 and Year 2 also had a visit from the Fire Service this week; they learnt all about the importance of fire safety. The younger children listened to a story and practiced the Stop, Drop and Roll technique and also the importance of testing the smoke detectors at home. They also had the opportunity to try on a Firefighters helmet.



It certainly seems like Year 5 have had a lovely time on their residential this week – the weather was perfect and they have all been telling us about their exciting adventures involving canoes, high ropes, bows and arrows! A big thank you to Mr Bullen, Miss Tout, Mrs Withers and Mr Hyde for looking after the children so well.



Today we have had lots of tears in school as we bid farewell to Miss Griffin, but we've also had a lot of laughter as we reminisced on the last 8 years. The children were entertained by a photo collage I had put together full of our memories of Miss Griffin – it is amazing how much dressing up one teacher can do in 8 years of teaching! We all wish her the best of luck in her new career and hope all her dreams come true.

This afternoon we have all celebrated the start of our Easter Holiday with a lovely Easter Service in the church followed by an Easter Egg Hunt in the sunshine. On behalf of all the staff, Academy Councillors and the children, I'd like to wish you all a wonderful Easter break, don't eat too much chocolate and we look forward to welcoming you all back to school on Monday 24<sup>th</sup> April.



### Achievements

Emily W made it through the first round of the BBC Radio2 500 Words Competition.

Eliza has read **EVERY** one of 'The Dilton Dozen' books.

***Fantastic achievements girls,  
well done to you both.***

### Quote of the Month:



End of term always gives us the opportunity to celebrate many ongoing achievements, one of these is reading.

The following children have read at least 4 times EVERY week this term:

**Lime Class:** Emilie, Harry, Ellie, Evelyn, Rhys, Finlay-Ray, Archie, Hollie, Mia & Poppy

**Cherry Class:** Maisie, Joshua, Rowan & Lucia

**Ash Class:** Henry, Solomon, Gabriel, Harrison, Erin, Amber, Josh L, Reuben, Ruby & Harriet

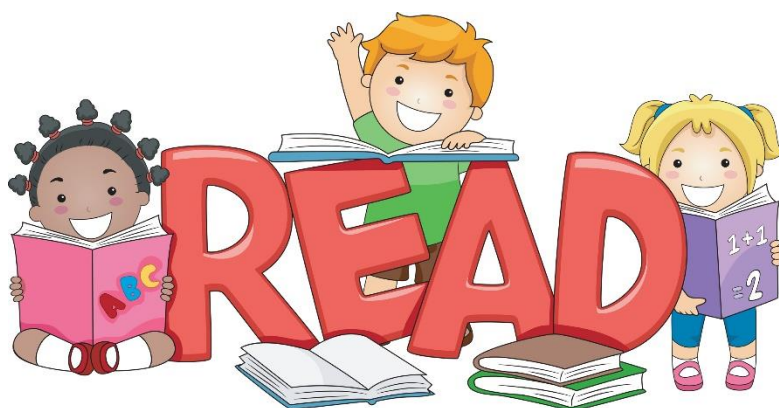
**Willow Class:** Bella

**Chestnut:** Oscar & Thandoe

**Beech:** Ruby & Chloe

**Oak:** Holly, Josh, Hanna, Tillie & Felix

Well done to you all!



The children enjoyed learning about Birds of Prey this week...



For more photographs of these lovely birds, please see our school website.

Eco-Club would like to say thank you to FODS for purchasing our new Polytunnel and a big thank you to Mr Farndale and Tom for assembling it!



# Attendance

As you know, attendance is carefully monitored by the Government and Local Authority; so please help us by ensuring your child is at school unless they are poorly. Wherever possible please book any medical appointments and holidays to coincide with the school holidays.

**Raise Your Childs Attendance - Raise their Chances!**

What does **“Good attendance”** mean?

90% attendance - Is that good?

**90% attendance = ½ day missed every week!!**

*(Would your boss like you to be off work this much??). That's practically part time!*

## Every Lesson Counts...

***The following children have achieved 100% attendance this term – from 20<sup>th</sup> February to 6<sup>th</sup> April'17 – they have all received a certificate and a pencil.***

**Lime Class** – Eliza, Evie B, Ayden, Ellie, Evelyn, Rhys, Poppy, Heidi, Alannah, Olivia, Finlay-Ray, Eleanor, Brinley, Archie, Hollie and Mia

**Cherry Class** – Matthew, Mia, Joshua, Lucia, Ashton, Solomon, Morgan, Alexander, Thomas, Sebastian, Laurie, Imogen, Anderson and Emily

**Ash Class** – Indie, Henry, Harrison, Chloe, Lilly-Mae, Alby, Charlie H, Josh H, Flo, Jude, Josh L, Ella, Solomon, Erin, Gabriel and Charlie Y

**Willow Class** – Liberty, Willow, Riley, Immy, Grace C, Bella, Luke, Aurora, Harry, Maddison, Toby, Kian, Zoe, Caroline and Grace T

**Chestnut Class** – Jasmine, Isaac, Emily, Lauren, Amy, Jessica, Caprice, Theo, Maddie, Oscar, Sophie, Elicia, Wilf, Ava, Thandoe, Amelia, Sam, Alfie, Ewan, Baylee and Erin

**Beech Class** – Jacob, Lily-Grace, Tilly, Lottie, Rhys, Freya, Oliver, Chloe, Jay, Evie, Chelsea, James, Matilda, Liam and Ruby

**Oak Class** – Logan, Hanna, Tillie, Harmony, Bailey, Holly, Jessica, Lily, Alexander, Ben, Bethany, Hector, Adam, Connor, Gil, Amy, Felix and Joe

***Special congratulations must go to the following children who have achieved an outstanding 100% attendance since the beginning of this academic year (September):***

**Lime Class** - Evelyn B, Poppy, Heidi and Brinley

**Cherry Class** – Matthew, Alexander and Imogen

**Ash Class** – Lilly-Mae and Ella

**Willow Class** – Luke, Aurora, Toby, Zoe, Caroline and Grace

**Chestnut Class** – Jasmine, Emily and Theo

**Beech Class** – Lottie and Liam

**Oak Class** – Jessica, Hector, Connor, Amy and Felix – ***keep this up you will receive a special award at the end of the year.***

***Anyone who hasn't managed 100% this term will have the opportunity to win a pencil next term. Other prizes will be introduced over the next 2 terms for 100% attendance.***



### Dates for your Diary

**Fri 7<sup>th</sup>** **Teacher Training Day**

**w/c 10<sup>th</sup> & w/c 17<sup>th</sup>** **Holiday**

**Mon 24<sup>th</sup>** **Return to school**

**Wed 26<sup>th</sup>** **No Celebration Assembly**

**Thu 27<sup>th</sup>** **Chestnut Class Swimming**

### May

**Mon 1<sup>st</sup>** **Bank holiday**

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

**w/c 8<sup>th</sup>** **KS2 SATS Week**

**Wed 10<sup>th</sup>** **No Celebration Assembly**

**Fri 12<sup>th</sup>** **Class Photos**

**Wed 17<sup>th</sup>** **Cherry Class Celebration Assembly**

**27<sup>th</sup>-29<sup>th</sup>** **Scarecrow Trail weekend**

**w/c 29<sup>th</sup>** **Holiday**

### June

**5<sup>th</sup>-7<sup>th</sup>** **Year 6 Residential to Mill on the Brue**

**For events and activities through the  
Easter Holidays**

**Please check out our website  
[www.diltonmarsh.wilts.sch.uk](http://www.diltonmarsh.wilts.sch.uk)**

**Parent Information**

**What's On – Community links**



Free advice and support for children

### 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**

E-mail: [office@diltonmarsh.wilts.sch.uk](mailto:office@diltonmarsh.wilts.sch.uk)

This week: Attendance: 96.3%  
Absence: 3.7%

### Weekly Class Attendance Trophy

This week the winners are  
Ash Class

**Congratulations**



The **SAINSBURY** tokens collection box is in the main reception area. Please help us collect as many as we can.

### Treetops Breakfast Club

We currently have spaces at our  
Breakfast Club

**Monday-Friday**

**Open from 7.30am–8.30am**



### School Registration times:

**KS2-8.45am**

(Willow, Chestnut, Beech, Oak)

**KS1- 8.55am**

(Lime, Cherry & Ash)

## Holiday Birthdays

Lottie(10) Harry(8) Bethany(11)  
Noah S(8) Mia W(5)



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### House Point Scores

HAWK		963
MERLIN		848
FALCON		917
KESTREL		912

This terms winners are Hawk .

**Congratulations!!!**

£25 is being sent to Macmillan.

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CANCER SUPPORT**

### Community Cohesion

Our Christian value for the month is:

**FORGIVENESS**

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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Please look on the school website for new photographs - these can be found under the 'News' tab.



Activities in the area can be found under 'Parent Information', then 'What's on - Community Links'

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### Sports Corner

12 Yr6 children played in a Tag-Rugby Tournament on Monday. They finished 2nd in our Pool, but were unfortunately knocked out in the next round. The children showed great Tag-Rugby skills and good sportsmanship.

### Out of school

Henry earned his 5m swimming badge.

Sebastian played in a Tag Rugby Festival at the weekend and played 8 matches back to back.

Matthew H plays for Dilton Rovers Ug's who won the Mid Wilts Youth Football League Cup.

Anna has completed her stage 5 swimming.

***Congratulations to you all***



**CAMP XTRA 2017**

A date for your diary:  
**Monday 7<sup>th</sup> to  
Friday 11<sup>th</sup> August**

**Camp Xtra 2017** **MORE DETAILS  
COMING SOON**

An amazing week of  
sport and art activities  
for 8-15 year olds  
being held at  
Devizes School

**Shorts and Art  
Activities**

[www.campxtra.co.uk](http://www.campxtra.co.uk)

## THIS WEEKS MATHS CHALLENGE...

Each day, Mr Jackson drinks 3 cups of instant coffee at home, and twice a week he buys coffee from his local coffee shop

- A UK coffee shop sells coffee for £2.75 per cup.
- A 200g jar of instant coffee costs £4.60.
- 1.8g makes 1 cup of coffee.

**Using the information above, read and answer the question below:**

How much money did Mr Jackson save when he gave up coffee for Lent? Round amounts of money to the nearest penny.



183 people joined us in Holy Trinity Church to enjoy the magic of the School Choir in concert with the Warminster Military Wives. It really was an amazing concert and a great experience for the members of the School Choir.



Huge thanks must go to the Warminster Military Wives, our School Choir and their families for their support, Michelle Lawrence(our music teacher), FODS, Rev Steve and the Church Wardens and of course members of the community who came along.

Together, we raised £1,394 for school.

Thank you