



DILTON MARSH PRIMARY SCHOOL

FRIDAY NEWS

Friday 25th November 2016

Well, the stage is up and the rehearsals are well under way for our three Christmas Plays. It is hard to believe that we only have a week left before Willow and Chestnut Class have their Dress Rehearsal. The rehearsals are going extremely well, we were treated to a sneak preview from our youngest children during Ash Class Celebration Assembly this week. All our plays are going to be wonderful, lots of lovely enthusiastic singing and big smiles, across the school.

We started the week on a very wet note. There was so much rain the playground flooded and looked more like a lake, luckily it didn't encroach into school. Riley from Cherry Class came to tell me he was very disappointed when he arrived in school on Tuesday morning as all the water had disappeared! We made the most of the wet playtimes though with Mrs Withers leading Change 4 Life sports activities in the hall and lots of board games and cards games were played in each of the classrooms. Mrs Beveridge has also been opening up the library each week during lunchtimes for the children to change their books or sit and read during their lunchtime play. Unfortunately, our Girls Football Team had their first match cancelled on Monday due to the weather, we are keeping our fingers crossed that the friendly against Bitham Brook tonight doesn't get called off and that the field dries out in time. Lime Class and Cherry Class, along with Mrs Seelig and Mrs Chalke, braved the weather on Monday. They wrapped up warm, put on wellies and carried on with their outdoor counting and number tasks under the outdoor canopy – a little bit (or a lot) of rain doesn't stop our fun and learning!

Next week, our Christmas tree will be arriving in school ready for the Christmas Fayre on Friday evening. As in previous years we are holding a competition to design and make a Christmas decoration to decorate our tree. It can be as glittery and colourful as you can make it, just try and keep it smaller than a postcard in size. We all enjoy seeing all the different decorations displayed proudly on the tree each year and the excitement of the children when they arrive in school and spot their decorations hanging on the tree.

Don't forget to come along next Friday evening – the Christmas Fayre starts at 5:30pm and each class have games to play and Christmassy gifts to purchase. We've been told that Father Christmas is planning a visit too!



NEW FEATURE!

Each week we will include a maths challenge for the children in all ages to try.
THIS WEEKS MATHS CHALLENGE...

Problem

If you wrote all the numbers from one to one hundred on a piece of paper, 1, 2, 3, 4, ... , 99, 100, how many nines would you write in total? (Remember to show how you know your answer)

Can you please 'jazz up' your answer and make it prominent

Solutions to Mr Bullen by next Friday please.
There will be certificate for the best response!



Sports Corner

Football

The girls football tournament on Monday has been re-scheduled to Monday 5th December.

Out of school

Riley C came 2nd 1'3 and 4th 1'6 Minimus Show Jumping

Imogen S earned the Puffin Award for Swimming

Grace T passed her Wiltshire Stage 4 in Gymnastics

Congratulations to you all



Dates for your Diary

November

Mon 28th Mill on the Brue meeting for Year 5

Wed 30th Willow Class Celebration Assembly

December

Fri 2nd Christmas Fayre 5.30pm-7.30pm

Sun 4th Shopping Trip to Southampton

Tues 6th Willow & Chestnut Productions

Wed 7th Lime, Cherry & Ash Productions

Thu 8th Choir singing at Bath Abbey

Fri 9th Lime, Cherry & Ash Production(am)

Mon 12th Beech & Oak Community Performance

Mon 12th Rotary Concert at All Saints Church

Tues 13th Oak & Beech Productions

Wed 14th Christmas Dinner

Fri 16th Carol Service in Church

Fri 16th Last day of term

January

Tue 3rd Teacher Training Day

Wed 4th Return to school

Sat 7th Trip to Aladdin, Theatre Royal, Bath

February

w/c 13th Holiday



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: 96.9%
Absence: 3.1%
Learning lost =54.5 days

Weekly Class Attendance

Trophy

This week the winners are

Willow Class

Congratulations



Competition Time...

Help us decorate our Christmas tree!

All you need to do is make a decoration that can be hung on the school Christmas tree.

- Your decoration must be no bigger than a postcard and not too heavy.
- Please ensure your decoration has your name and class on it
- A winner will be picked from each class and everyone who enters will be given a small gift.
- Finally, have fun and bring your decorations to school **on Tuesday**

Carol Service



Friday 16th December
1.45pm

Please join us

Muft Day

Thank you for your donations , we look forward to seeing you at the Christmas Fayre

Christmas Fayre

Friday 2nd December
5.30pm – 7.30pm

Any other donations for the raffle or tombola can be placed in the baskets in the main reception area.
Thank you



Our Choir will be performing outside Bath Abbey on Thursday 8th December between 1pm & 3pm.



Please look out for them and enjoy their beautiful singing if you are in Bath Christmas shopping

SCHOOL PLAYS

Lime, Cherry & Ash :
'Born in a Barn'
Wed 7th Dec 2pm & 6pm
& Fri 9th Dec 9.30am.

Willow & Chestnut:
'Hosannah Rock'
Tues 6th Dec, 1.30pm & 6pm.

Beech & Oak :
'Sleeping Beauty'
Mon 12th Dec for the Community 1.30pm
& Tues 13th Dec 1.30pm & 6pm.

Choir is now the only club running before Christmas.

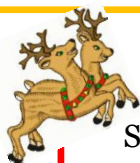
New clubs will start in the New Year.

School Registration times:

KS2-8.45am (Willow, Chestnut, Beech, Oak)
KS1- 8.55am (Lime, Cherry & Ash)

**HAPPY
BIRTHDAY**

Tilly C(10)
Madison H(10)
Malin(11)
Mrs Broad (?)



Shopping Trip to Southampton
Sunday 4th December
£10

... only 1 seat remaining!!!

Asda Frome, have selected us to be one of the three 'token' schools in January...

please put your green tokens in the Dilton School section—if we get the most we will be awarded £500.
Thank you



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Governor Visits – Dawn Wells visited school and spent the morning in Oak Class. She was very impressed with the quality of the work on display and commented on the welcoming nature of the children and adults in class. The children showed off their Literacy and Numeracy work.

Mrs Masters, Chair of Governors also visited school – she spent some time in Cherry class getting to know the children. She also spent some time with Mrs Farndale going through our school development plan and initiatives for this year.

Elsie Tavener raised £250 for



by doing a Sponsored Swim, swimming a staggering 40 lengths!

Well done!

House Point Scores

HAWK



523

MERLIN



432

FALCON



446

KESTREL



422

Community Cohesion

Our Christian value for the month is:

RESPECT

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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Celebration Assembly

Every Wednesday 2.30pm

Please join us to celebrate the children's work

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Lunch Guests

On Monday we welcomed Mr Hart–School Advisor



Amy, Alex, Hector & Sakura entertained our guest with Creamy Ham & Mushroom Pasta Bake followed by Chocolate Pudding & Custard.

On Wednesday we welcomed Mrs Edwards–Head of Kingdown



Adam, Bailey, Beth & Abigail entertained our guest with Beef Cobbler & Vegetables followed by Chocolate Brownies.



Year 1,2,&3 were given their Flu immunisations today.

Well done everyone, you were very brave.

REMINDER:

Please do not wear Pandora bracelets to school – we cannot accept any responsibility for lost charms.

Thank you for your co-operation.

Please place your dinner orders on



as soon as possible.

The kitchen need to pre-order the food to ensure they can fulfil the orders – especially for Christmas Dinner! Thank you

Christmas Jumper or Christmas T-Shirt Day

*(PLEASE NOTE THIS IS NOT A
NON-SCHOOL UNIFORM DAY, SO
SCHOOL TROUSERS/SKIRTS & SHOES
ETC MUST BE WORN AS NORMAL)*



Wednesday 14th
December

**Join the fun & dress for
Christmas Dinner!**

Is it time for a wardrobe change?

Please help raise money for our school by recycling your old clothes.

Collection bags will be sent home next week and will need to be returned to school on **Tuesday 13th December** please (no earlier as we don't have enough storage space).



PLEASE RESPECT THE NEIGHBOURS AND LOCAL RESIDENTS...

Despite our many pleas for drivers not to block or turn by the school gates or on peoples private driveways, we are still receiving complaints of repeated incidents and concerns for children's safety BOTH outside the school gates and along The Hollow.

The Police are now involved following many complaints and concerns – people have even been seen reversing down School Lane where children are crossing – many children walk on their own and most are smaller than the height of a car so would not be seen!!! Please don't make this a horrific incident.

The private driveway off School Lane has now been coned following some damage to the wall – please respect these and do not attempt to turn in that area – **it is a private driveway!**

It is an offence to block private driveways and school entrances and we are incredibly concerned, not only about upsetting our local residents, but about an accident involving a child. There is plenty of space to park along the High Street on both sides of the road and Bev, the Lollipop Lady is there to help safely cross the road if necessary.

***PLEASE, PLEASE THINK ABOUT
YOUR PARKING/DROPPING OFF,
NONE OF US WOULD LIKE TO THINK
OF A CHILD BEING INJURED!***