

DILTON MARSH CE PRIMARY SCHOOL

Newsletter 2 Term 2 - Friday 10th November 2023

Dear parents

This week the school have been busy thinking about Remembrance Day and exploring why we wear poppies. BBC Teach produced some great information about the evolution of the poppy and how the British Legion symbol has changed over the years since the first Remembrance Day on 11th November 1919. The children have all created some art to display around the school.

On Sunday, our Head boy and Head Girl will be laying a poppy posy on behalf of the school community at the memorial. Please come along to support them and join in the act of Remembrance.



Headteacher

This week's Spotlight - Anti-bullying Week

Ensuring our children are safe and feel safe from bullying is always on our agenda however during Anti-Bullying week each year we remind the children of our key messages:



- 1. We foster a school community built on mutual respect and care.
- 2. We aim to provide a safe and happy learning environment.

 Bullying behaviour will not be tolerated at Dilton Marsh CEVC Primary School and incidents will be taken seriously and dealt with swiftly.

With the children we will be explaining how bullying is different to the normal falling out and arguments children often have as they grow up.

Bullying can be:

Physical: Threats, any form of violence e.g. pushing, kicking, hitting, pinching.

Verbal: Name-calling, sarcasm, spreading rumours, persistent teasing.

Emotional: Tormenting, threatening, ridicule, humiliation, exclusion from groups or activities, 'banter'.

Discriminatory: Such as racial, sexist taunts, graffiti, gestures.

Sexual: Unwanted physical contact, abusive comments.

Cyber bullying: Cyber-bullying is the use of the Internet and related technologies to harm other people, in a deliberate and repeated way. This may include abusive mobile and instant messages or the posting of humiliating photos or video footage on the Internet. As it has become more common in society, particularly among young people, legislation and awareness campaigns have arisen to combat it. Children need to be taught how to use technology responsibly.

To launch the week we will be encouraging the children and adults to be wearing odd socks to school. Within PSHE lessons we will be looking at our school Anti-Bullying policy and including their voice about what we do to keep them safe. On Monday we will also be having our first House Challenge of the year when the children work with others in their house to complete the challenge set by Mrs Broad.

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Dates for your diary

Monday 13th November	Wear odd socks to launch Anti-bullying week
Friday 17th November	Lime Class - dress up as favourite Nursery Rhyme Char Children
	Children in Need - Wear something Spotty in Need
Monday 20th November NOTE CHANGE OF DATE	Online Safety talk to parents from Wiltshire Police Youth & Early Intervention Team (5.30pm)
Tuesday 21st November	Chestnut Class Showcase (2.30 - 3.15pm)
Wednesday 22nd November	Lime Class Showcase (2.30 - 3.15pm)
Thursday 23rd November	Cherry Class Showcase (2.30 - 3.15pm)
Monday 27th November	West Wilts Dance Festival tickets on sale at The Forum (9am)
Tuesday 28th November	Oak Class Showcase (2.30 - 3.15pm)
Wednesday 29th November	Beech Class Showcase (2.30 - 3.15pm)
Thursday 30th November	Willow Class Showcase (2.30 - 3.15pm)
Friday 1st December	Mufti Day - donations for Christmas Raffle please
Tuesday 5th December	Ash Class Showcase (2.30 - 3.15pm)
Thursday 7th December	Discos
Monday 11th December	KS1 Christmas performance (2.30 - 3.15pm)
Tuesday 12th December	KS1 Christmas performance (2.30 - 3.15pm)
Wednesday 13th December	Christmas Dinner Day - Christmas Jumper Day
Thursday 14th December	Christmas Raffle Draw (3.15pm)
Tuesday 19th December	Christmas Service at Holy Trinity Church - all welcome (2pm)
Wednesday 20th December	Pantomime in school
	End of Term 2 (12 pm finish)
Monday 8th January	Start of Term 3
Tuesday 9th January	Walk Safe, Cherry, Willow and Oak Classes
Thursday 11th January	Young Voices (details to follow)
Tuesday 16th January	Walk Safe practical - Willow Class
Friday 9th February	End of Term 3 (normal finishing time)
Monday 19th February	Start of Term 4
Thursday 28th March	End of Term 4 (12pm finish)
Monday 15th April	Start of Term 5
Friday 24th May	End of Term 5 (normal finishing time)
Monday 3rd June	Start of Term 6
Friday 19th July	End of Term 6 (12pm finish)

Let's celebrate!

Headteacher's Award:

- Summer (Lime Class) for amazing phonics and writing.
- * Casper (Lime Class) for brilliant sounding out and finding the correct graphemes.
- Jack (Beech Class) for being super thoughtful and kind to others.

Star of the Week:

Lime Class Imogen for showing great respect towards others.

Cherry Class Brooklyn for really persevering this week and having the confidence to work independently.

Ash Class Bodhi for perseverance when facing new activities. Willow Class Elena for always being a positive role model.

Chestnut Class Rose for showing great determination and perseverance whilst completing NfERs this week.

Beech Class Pixie for working extra hard all week in her assessments.

Oak Class Isabelle for using initiative to keep Oak Class organised.

Lime Class Eden for amazing segmenting and blending.

Cherry Class Oscar for some fabulous, independent sentences in our early morning work.

Ash Class Iris for always adding a creative touch to her writing.

Willow Class Joseph for a fantastic opening to his independent write.

Chestnut Class Madeleine for creating her own Limericks.

Beech Class Dylan for excellent research skills on volcanoes.



TT Rockstars:

In the last 7 days these children have earnt the following certificates:

Most improvement in accuracy – Tee in Oak

Most improvement in Studio Speed – Finley in Willow

Biggest increase in correct answers – William K in Chestnut

Star of the week – Highest number of minutes played – Oliver in Oak

Children in Need - Friday 17th November 2023

We are asking children to wear spotty non-uniform for Children in Need next Friday (no football kits).



During the school day, we will be hosting a runPudsey event - although called run Pudsey we won't all necessarily be running - we will tailor the activities to the weather and the children.

We are inviting parents and family members to sign up and sponsor your child to take part using the link below:

https://www.runpudsey.co.uk/school/diilton-marsh-cevc-primary-school (please spot the deliberate mistake in the spelling of Dilton)

Use the school code EC0A

All children whose parents sign up and raise funds of £1 or more will receive a runPudsey medal to acknowledge their efforts.

These will be sent to us at school following the event not on Friday.



FODS update

FODS Committee

Amy Pittaway is our new Chair and we're looking forward to having her on board! David Osborne continues as Treasurer & Liz Fisher is Secretary. We have our general committee members plus helpers & if you'd like to find out more or get involved please ask or take a look at the FODS webpage

Donations for Luxury Christmas Hampers

We are running our Christmas Hamper Raffle again with money raised towards funding school trips.

We will be asking for luxury food and drink hamper donations in exchange for Mufti on Friday 1st December.

If you or someone you know has a business which are willing to donate a voucher or food/drink gift for the raffle, please contact a member of FODS or email fods@diltonmarsh.wilts.sch.uk

The Raffle Draw will take place at school on Thurs 14th December, 3:15pm and you are invited to come along for a mince pie and drink!

Thank you.

Community Quiz night - save the date

Back by popular demand on Saturday 20th January in Dilton Memorial Hall.

Teams of up to 8, £5 ticket per person. Light supper provided & BYO drinks. Teams from school families and the local community are welcome. Details on timings & booking a team to follow.

FODS Events

Friday 1st December Mufti Day - hamper donations for Christmas raffle please

Thursday 7th December Discos - further details and timings to follow

Thursday 14th December Christmas Raffle draw (3.15pm)

Saturday 20th January Quiz Night

E-safety Parents' Information Evening

Learn what children are currently using and how to protect them from online risks and dangers with PC Darren Foulger

Monday 20th November 5.30pm—6.30pm

To confirm attendance please complete this <u>link</u>

