



## DILTON MARSH CE PRIMARY SCHOOL

### Newsletter 3 Term 4 - Friday 8th March 2024

Dear parents

What a busy week we have had!

On Tuesday, we had an early start as we took Beech and Oak classes to London to visit the Houses of Parliament. We were particularly excited as we saw King Charles III driving past us on our way!



The children were able to visit both the House of Commons and the House of Lords. They then went to the Education centre where they took part in a debate, taking on the roles of the Leader of each party and the Speaker of the House. Despite not getting back until 6pm, we had a great day and it was a very worthwhile experience for the children. Thank you to those parents who have emailed to thank the staff for giving up their time to facilitate this. I overheard Jack from Beech Class chatting to the guitar teacher yesterday saying, "We went to London to visit the Houses of Parliament and it was the best trip ever!" - how lovely!

World Book Day Eve storytelling was a special treat for all. Around 90 children attended dressed in their pyjamas and were accompanied by their teddies. The class teachers read them their favourite stories whilst the children relaxed. A huge thanks to FODS and Amy for organising the hot chocolate and biscuits which went down very well!



Yesterday, during World Book Day the children took part in the Book Swap and also shared their books with the other classes. It was lovely to see the compassion and patience shown by the older children and the determination of the younger children to show off their great reading skills. Each class has also been completing their Blue Peter Book Badge entries which we will be sending off at the beginning of next week for those children for whom we have received consent forms. Any outstanding forms must be brought into school on Monday morning. Please be aware that the badges can take up to 12 weeks to arrive.

"Thanks for yesterday's story telling - these two had a lovely time! The book swap is also a really nice idea".

We have shared some more photos of these events on the next page.

May we wish all the mothers, grandmothers, and carers a peaceful Mothers Day this weekend. I am sure the children will spoil you!

#### Red Nose Day - Friday 15th March 2024

Come in dressed as something funny for money or wear your school uniform with something red. Cash donations - no red noses please!







## FODS update

Saturday 16th March - Spring School Garden Tidy-Up: We are helping make the garden areas ready for the children to bring their planters to life again! No experience required - just a willing pair of hands or wellies! 12.30 - 2.30pm. Thank you.

Thursday 28th March, midday - Easter Trail & Bake Sale

Sat 11th/Sun 12th May - Village Scarecrow Trail & Cream Tea

Sat 18th May - Soapbox Derby at Westbury White Horse

## Parents' Events

Please remember to book a Parents' Evening appointment on eSchools. These are taking place on Tuesday 19th and Wednesday 20th March for children in all classes (with the exception of Oak Class).

Mrs Down, our SENCo, will be offering Parents' appointments on Tuesday 19th March from 3.30pm to 6.30pm for those children who have a SEN Passport, My Support Plan or an Educational Health Care Plan. These are also available to book on eSchools.

We hope you have enjoyed the Class Showcase sessions that have already taken place - these begin at 2.30pm.

## Village Litter Pick - Saturday 16th March 2024

The Eco Ambassadors are keen to promote the Village Litter Pick next month. Everyone, of any age, can take part simply by meeting at The Memorial hall at 10am on Saturday 16th March. Equipment is provided.

The Ambassadors are going to count participation from each of our classes - let's see who can pick the most!

Here is the event link and QR code if you would like to get involved.

<https://www.facebook.com/share/mFgjiVG7PZNs3Gf/?mibextid=9l3rBW>



Dilton Marsh Litter Pick 16/03/24

## Dates for your diary

Tuesday 12th March	Chestnut Class Showcase 2.30pm
Wednesday 13th March	Beech Class Showcase 2.30pm
Thursday 14th March	Ash Class Showcase 2.30pm
	Cherry Class phonics information session for parents 3.15pm
Friday 15th March	Red Nose Day - Come in dressed as something funny for money or wear your school uniform with something red. Cash donations - no red noses please!
Saturday 16th March	Village Litter Pick 10am
	12.30 - 2.30pm School garden tidy up
Tuesday 19th March	Oak Class Showcase 2.30pm
	Parents' Evening (not Oak Class)
Wednesday 20th March	Parents' Evening (not Oak Class)
Monday 25th March	Easter Service at Holy Trinity Church - Parents welcome at 2pm.
Tuesday 26th March	Cherry Class Showcase 2.30pm
Thursday 28th March	End of Term 4 (12pm finish)
	Easter trail and bake sale

## Further dates for your diary - Terms 5 & 6

Monday 15th April	Start of Term 5
Monday 22nd April	Chestnut Class parents' information session for Multiplication Times Tables
Saturday 11th & Sunday 12th May	Scarecrow trail and cream tea
Monday 13th - Thursday 16th May	Key Stage 2 SATs week
Saturday 18th May	Soapbox Derby at Westbury White Horse
Friday 24th May	End of Term 5 (normal finishing time)
Monday 3rd June	Start of Term 6
Tuesday 4th June	Rags2Riches collection
Friday 7th June	Class photos
Monday 10th - Wednesday 12th June	Oak Class residential to Tile Barn
	Wiltshire Outdoor Learning activity days
Wednesday 19th June	Lime Class Showcase
Thursday 20th June	KS1 Dance Festival at Bath Forum
Monday 24th & Tuesday 25th June	Matravers Year 6 Transition Days
Tuesday 25th June	Chestnut Class trip to Roman Baths (further details to follow nearer the time)
Wednesday 26th June	Ash Class trip to STEAM Museum (further details to follow nearer the time)
Tuesday 2nd July	Chestnut Class Showcase
Wednesday 3rd July	Beech Class Showcase
Thursday 4th July	Ash Class Showcase
Monday 8th & Tuesday 9th July	Kingdown Year 6 Transition Days
Tuesday 9th July	Willow Class Showcase
Wednesday 10th July	Cherry Class Showcase
Monday 15th July	Oak Class production
Tuesday 16th July / Wednesday 17th July	Oak Class Sailing
Friday 19th July	End of Term 6 (12pm finish)

\* Trips / visits for Lime, Cherry and Willow to be confirmed at a later date.

## Let's celebrate!

### Headteacher Awards:

#### Star of the Week:

<b>Lime Class</b>	Elin for having a fantastic learning attitude.
<b>Cherry Class</b>	Natalia for having such an amazing attitude towards her learning and showing so much confidence this week.
<b>Ash Class</b>	Lowen for using very creative language choices.
<b>Willow Class</b>	Paulina for always showing kindness and compassion towards others.
<b>Chestnut Class</b>	Marley for a great attitude and participation in French this week.
<b>Beech Class</b>	Freddie N for always setting the right example.
<b>Oak Class</b>	Hannah for always being willing to help others.

#### Maths Magicians:

<b>Lime Class</b>	Oscar for his confidence using the part whole model.
<b>Cherry Class</b>	Nancie for really careful work when we have been measuring items using a ruler this week.
<b>Ash Class</b>	Finnley for using his shape vocabulary carefully and accurately.
<b>Willow Class</b>	Harrison for some fantastic work measuring length.
<b>Chestnut Class</b>	Bay for great work on fractions this week.
<b>Beech Class</b>	Elsie for excellent modelling when subtracting fractions.
<b>Oak Class</b>	Ruby for perseverance in finding the perimeter.



#### **TT Rockstars:**

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

Most improvement in accuracy – Orla in Beech

Most improvement in Studio Speed – Lowen in Ash

Biggest increase in correct answers – Max in Chestnut

Star of the week – Highest number of minutes played – William G in Chestnut

Biggest increase in coins earned – Max in Chestnut



Gymnastics success - Congratulations to Rafe in Ash Class who placed bronze in his floor competition and 4th place overall.

Here he is with his medals and rosette, looking very pleased with himself!