



DILTON MARSH CE PRIMARY SCHOOL

Newsletter 2 Term 3 - Friday 19th January 2024

Dear parents

Thank you for all the lovely messages I have received after news of my retirement at the end of the year. They are really appreciated.

During the last 2 weeks, the Year 6 pupils have been busy completing practice SATs to prepare them for the real thing in May. Over the year, the children have had lots of opportunities to have a go so that they are used to the format. This term we have given them the support which they will get in May. This can include an adult to support them and encourage, someone to read the questions or an adult who will scribe the answers. This mirrors the support that the children get in their normal school lessons.

Walk Safe

Willow Class braved the cold weather this week to complete their Walk Safe practical session with the Road Safety Team. Harry told me, "You need to keep your toes far back from the kerb before crossing the road." Luca remembers, "It takes 23 metres for a car to stop so you need to wait until no cars are there to ensure you can cross the road safely."



Bike & Scooter Park

Thank you to William in Chestnut Class and Harriett in Oak Class and their parents for tidying up the muddy bike and scooter area.



New door system

This week we have had new access controls installed on our main entrance and reception area. The front door will be automatically open from 7.30am - 9.30am for Breakfast Club (please ring the door bell in reception as normal) and any parents needing to speak to the office in the morning at drop off. The doors will then be locked and parents / visitors will need to press the intercom button on the black box to the left of the main door to alert the office and be let in.

Let's celebrate!

Headteacher Awards:

- * Grace from Chestnut Class for amazing perseverance in multiplying 3 digit by 1 digit numbers.
- * Jax in Lime Class for amazing independent writing.

Star of the Week:

Lime Class	Hope for showing great respect towards her peers and adults.
Cherry Class	Oscar for consistently showing perseverance and enthusiasm in his Little Wandle sessions with Mrs Demmery.
Ash Class	Tilly for perseverance in solving division problems.
Willow Class	Sammy for always sharing his thoughts and ideas with the class.
Chestnut Class	William K for always demonstrating our school values.
Beech Class	Henry for always demonstrating our school values.
Oak Class	Ben for excellent science skills this week.

Star Writer

Lime Class	Mia for fantastic segmenting and blending.
Cherry Class	Tilly T for taking such care in her handwriting and the content of her work.
Ash Class	Susie for challenging herself when writing her sentences and 'deepening the moment.'
Willow Class	Paulina for identifying and using pronouns in her writing.
Chestnut Class	Esme for great story planning this week.
Beech Class	Indie for working extra hard to make her sentences more complex.
Oak Class	Leona for exploring sentence construction.

TT Rockstars:



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

Most improvement in accuracy – Bella in Chestnut

Most improvement in Studio Speed – Charlie in Chestnut

Biggest increase in correct answers – Max in Chestnut

Star of the week – Highest number of minutes played – Max in Chestnut

Biggest increase in coins earned – Max in Chestnut

FODS update



FODS meeting Monday 29th January 2024, 7.30pm (Note change of date)

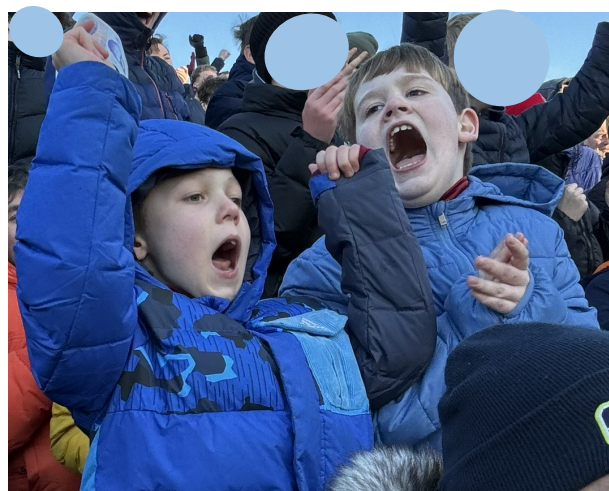
If you'd like to find out more about FODS activities or interested to get involved please join us for a drink at The Hollies, 7:30pm on Monday 29th January 2024 or speak with our Chair Amy Pittaway or a FODS rep.

Gift Voucher for Fairfield Animal Centre

We have kindly been given some gift vouchers from Fairfield Animal Park at Southwick, Trowbridge which are valid for our families to use until 29th February 2024. The vouchers are coming home with the children today.

Matchday Experience

Last Sunday myself and Miss Tout accompanied 9 children from Beech and Oak Class to The Rec in Bath to watch their cup game against Racing 92. The children performed a 'Guard of Honour' for the teams at the start of the match. We were then able to enjoy watching a tense first half before a pitch parade. We returned to our seats and loved an exciting second half with the best result of all when Bath won! Thank you to the parents who bought their children along for the experience. We hope you all enjoyed it.



Dates for your diary

Wednesday 24th January	SATs information evening for Year 6 parents 5.30pm
Monday 29th January	FODS meeting at The Hollies, Westbury 7.30pm
Tuesday 6th February	Dance Festival at The Forum, Bath
Friday 9th February	End of Term 3 (normal finishing time)
Monday 19th February	Start of Term 4
Monday 4th March	Lime Showcase
Tuesday 5th March	Year 5 & 6 trip to Houses of Parliament (Details to follow)
Tuesday 5th March	Willow Showcase
Tuesday 12th March	Chestnut Showcase
Wednesday 13th March	Beech Showcase
Thursday 14th March	Ash Showcase
Tuesday 19th March	Oak Showcase
Tuesday 26th March	Cherry Showcase
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
Tuesday 4th June	Rags2Riches collection
Friday 7th June	Class photos
Monday 10th - Wednesday 12th June	Oak Class residential to Tile Barn
Wednesday 19th June	Lime Showcase
Thursday 20th June	KS1 Dance Festival at Bath Forum
Monday 24th & Tuesday 25th June	Matravers Year 6 Transition Days
Tuesday 2nd July	Chestnut Showcase
Wednesday 3rd July	Beech Showcase
Thursday 4th July	Ash Showcase
Monday 8th & Tuesday 9th July	Kingdown Year 6 Transition Days
Tuesday 9th July	Willow Showcase
Wednesday 10th July	Cherry Showcase
Monday 15th July	Oak Class production
Friday 19th July	End of Term 6 (12pm finish)