



DILTON MARSH C OF E PRIMARY SCHOOL

Term 3 Newsletter 3 —24th January 2020

Dear parents,

This week has been a busy week for parents! On Tuesday we held meetings for Y4 and Y6, both of which were very well attended. Our Year 4 parents heard about the new Multiplication Tables Check which children will take in June. The test is taken on line and the children have to answer 25 multiplication questions, each within 6 seconds. Research shows that speedy recall of the number facts correlates to children's success in Maths. Thank you to Mr Bullen for leading that session, and to the parents for having a go at the test themselves.

Also on Tuesday Mr Foyle led a session for children and parents in Year 6. In the meeting parents were given information about the end of KS2 SATs which the children sit in May and about the residential which they will go on the following week. There is a change in the format of this from this year with the visit now being taken over 5 days. We are really looking forward to this as it means that we can incorporate more activities and gives us a chance to take part in Geography Fieldwork at the Beach.

Finally, this morning, parents were invited in to observe a phonics session in Lime Class. Feedback was very positive and the parents even joined in with the 'shake about' at the end of the session.

This week I have been finalising the updates to the School Development Plan which will be discussed at the Academy Council on Wednesday. Following this I will be able to update all parents about what is being put in place to ensure that Dilton Marsh will be Good within the next year. I have also been working with the Executives Heads and other Acorn Trust Schools heads to build the Acorn curriculum. Details of this can be found on our school website www.diltonmarsh.wilts.sch.uk/website/curriculum/223305

Mrs Jill Hibbs
Headteacher

Christingle Service—Wednesday 29th January at 2pm

Please join us at Holy Trinity Church on Wednesday for the Christingle Service.

PE Kit reminders

There are a few children who have incomplete PE kits and/or are complaining that their daps/trainers are too small. Please can parents check PE kit at the weekends to make sure they have everything they need.

Safety for all crossing the roads

We are really lucky to have Bev, our Crossing Patrol at Dilton Marsh School. Wiltshire Council carried out a recent Health & Safety inspection and have asked us to remind everyone of the following to ensure safety for all:

- ◆ Please can children dismount from bikes and scooters to cross the road
- ◆ Children and parents should walk to the dropped kerb at the crossing site and cross in front of Bev
- ◆ In adverse/windy weather the crossing patrol may not operate
- ◆ Please do not park on the school site or near to the crossing patrol.

Thank you for your support with this.

Achievements



Lime Class Max

Cherry Class

Ash Class Abigail

Willow Class Ayden

Chestnut Class Riley

Beech Class Amber

Oak Class Zoe

Congratulations to our 'Shining Stars' this week.

Dilton's Maths Magicians:



Lime Class Rose

Cherry Class

Ash Class Oliver

Willow Class Khloe E

Chestnut Class Rowan

Beech Class Gabriel

Oak Class Grace C

World book Day

We will be celebrating World Book Day by dressing up on Friday 7th March 2020—further information regarding themes to follow from Mr Foyle.

Dates for your diary Term 3 2020

Wednesday 29th January	Christingle Service 2pm @ Holy Trinity Church
	AGT Literacy & Numeracy sessions start for Year 6 children—more details to follow
Thursday 30th January	Chestnut Swimming (4/6)
Wednesday 5th February	Chestnut Family Assembly 2.30pm
Thursday 6th February	Chestnut Swimming (5/6)
	FODS Winter Disco (3.15—4.15pm KS1, 4.30—5.30pm KS2)
Friday 7th February	KS1 Coffee Morning & Open Classroom 8.30am
	8.45am—Phonics Screening information session for Year 1 parents
Wednesday 12th February	Willow Class Family Assembly 2.30pm
	West Wilts Dance Festival—The Forum Bath
Thursday 13th February	Chestnut Swimming (6/6)
Friday 14th February	End of Term 3
Monday 24th February	Start of Term 4
Wednesday 26th February	Ash Class Family Assembly 2.30pm
Thursday 27th February	Willow Swimming starts
Friday 7th March	Dress-up for World Book Day
Wednesday 11th March	Cherry Class Family Assembly 2.30pm
Wednesday 18th March	Lime Class Family Assembly 2.30pm
Saturday 21st March	Dilton Litter Pick—10am at the Memorial Hall