



# DORCHESTER, ST BIRINUS C.E. PRIMARY SCHOOL

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Friday 26<sup>th</sup> January 2018

## Headteacher's Thoughts

We are always looking for volunteers to come and listen to the children read in school – if you have some free time or you know someone that would like to read with the children. Please encourage them to come and have a chat with me and we can get them started. The children always enjoy reading to other people and this will boost their reading skills.

You will have noticed on the newsletter that we always include the Punctuality Stars; this has made a positive difference, which has been great. From after half term, there will be the requirement for parents to sign our late book if their child arrives after 9am as the registers would have been completed for the morning session. Thank you.

There has been a good response to the Guitar lessons following our assembly. Initially we did say that this was just for KS2 children; however there is an opportunity for Year 2 to also take lessons. If you are interested, please pick up a leaflet just inside the main entrance door.

I thought I would include a few key dates leading up to Easter, so that they are in the diary.

- 1<sup>st</sup> March – World Book Day – opportunity to dress as your favourite book character.
- 19<sup>th</sup> / 20<sup>th</sup> March – Parents Evenings
- 23<sup>rd</sup> March – Sports Relief

Mr. Leigh

### Our Christian Value for this half term is:

## Hope

During our collective worship, we will be learning about the value of hope. We will think about the hope in God's promise 'that love and goodness have, and will ultimately, overcome all evil and that his hope is manifested in the life, death and resurrection of Jesus Christ'. We will also think about hopes for the future for ourselves and others.

### Future Diary Dates.

Wednesday 31<sup>st</sup> January – 7pm – Full Governing Body

Friday 9<sup>th</sup> February – PTA Book Fair

3:15pm School closes for Half term

Monday 19<sup>th</sup> February – School re-opens

OWL CLASS SWIMMING

Thursday 1<sup>st</sup> March – World Book Day

Wednesday 7<sup>th</sup> March – Owl Class – STEM workshop

Friday 9<sup>th</sup> March – PTA Film Night

Thursday 8<sup>th</sup> March – Junior Citizen – Year 6

Thursday 15<sup>th</sup> March – Choir – Music concert in Oxford

### Achievements Book

A big well done to the children mentioned in our achievement book this week.

**Hedgehog Class:** Anushka Arun, Maximus Jasinskas

**Squirrel Class:** Cressida Kilby-Birch, Megan Smith

**Fox Class:** Sian Wilson, Cecily Gauden, Jase Collier

**Owl Class :** Joshua Jojy, Leona Collier

### Attendance

Our whole school target this year for attendance is **97%**

This week's whole school attendance is

96%



### Punctuality Stars

Congratulations to Fox, Squirrel and Hedgehog classes with no late marks this week!



### Message from the PTA

Emma Ferry will be stepping down shortly as the PTA Treasurer so we are looking for a replacement. We would love to hear from anybody who might be interested, please contact Emma or myself (Claire Andersson), who will describe the role in more detail.

Don't worry if you have no experience as the systems are all set up and Emma will give a full handover (as well as staying on committee) so you will be fully supported in this role.

### After School Clubs First Spring Half Term 2018

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Multi-sports (Ignite Sport - Free) 3.30pm-4.30pm	No Clubs	<b>KS2 Drama Club</b> 3.30pm-4.30pm  <b>Art Club</b> 3.15pm-4.15pm(maximum 20 children)	<b>KS2 Choir</b> - 3:30pm – 4:15pm	Ignite Sports - Free Hockey Club 3.15pm-4.15pm <b>(Please note children must be picked up by 4.15pm)</b>

All  
books  
**50P** Book SALE

# SCHOOL BOOK SALE

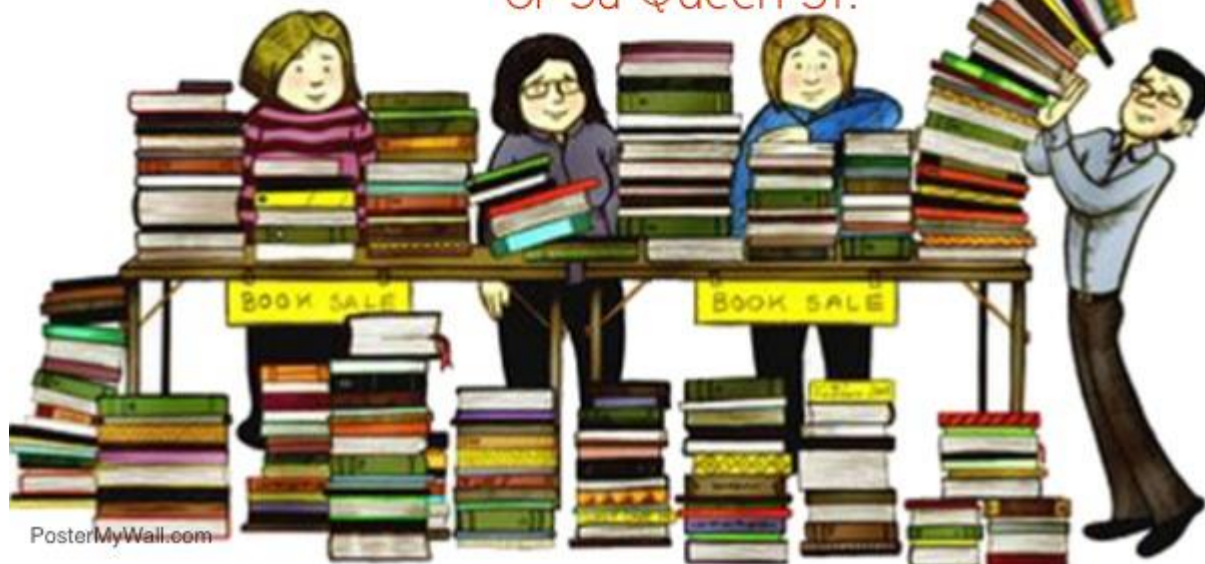
Friday 9th February

All day and after school

Please donate your  
old books for  
toddler to teens.

Fundraising for a  
new library

Drop off at school  
or 9a Queen St.



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