



# DORCHESTER, ST BIRINUS C.E. PRIMARY SCHOOL

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Friday 20<sup>th</sup> April 2018

## Headteacher's Thoughts

I hope you had a great Easter break and enjoyed eating your Easter eggs and as always the wonderful weather has welcomed us back to school. We start an important term for our Year 6 children as they approach their SATs week in May.

Our Big Write theme this term is all based around 'Chocolate' – this time we are planning a big adventure linked to this theme towards the end of the Summer term, which should be very exciting. It makes me hungry thinking about the topic.

Next Thursday, is our Spring Fair – please do not forget your donations of nearly new toys for the toy tombola, bottles of wine, boxes of chocolates and gifts for adults, it is great to see the wonderful selection that has arrived so far. Your child will come home this evening with a jam jar – if they could fill them with sweets and/or trinkets and return to school on Monday that would be absolutely brilliant. I look forward to seeing you on Thursday from 5pm.

Other dates for your diary:

- Annual May Dancing Event – Friday 4<sup>th</sup> May at 1:30pm
- Musical Evening - Tuesday 22<sup>nd</sup> May at 6pm – more details to follow
- Chocolate themed trip – Monday 18<sup>th</sup> June – more details to follow.

Mr. Leigh

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

## Friendship

Throughout our assemblies we will be looking at all aspects of friendship and how we should help friends through good and bad times.

We will learn how to trust our friends and how Christians trust God. We will think about how friendships develop and how true friendship lasts forever.

*"A friend loves at all times."  
Proverbs 17:17*

### Future Diary Dates.

Monday 23<sup>rd</sup> April – Squirrel/Fox Class – All Star  
Cricket Taster Session

Wednesday 25<sup>th</sup> April am – Squirrel Class Music Event  
at Oxfordshire Music Centre

Thursday 26<sup>th</sup> April – Owl Class – Space Dome in school

Thursday 26<sup>th</sup> April – 5pm – 7:30pm – SPRING FAIR

Friday 4<sup>th</sup> May – 1:30pm – May Dancing

**Week beginning 14<sup>th</sup> May – Y6 SATS**

Tuesday 22<sup>nd</sup> May – 6pm – Musical Evening

Friday 25<sup>th</sup> May – 3:15pm – End of the first half term

### Achievements Book

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

<b>Hedgehog Class:</b>	Lori-Mae Garricks, Oscar Prior
<b>Squirrel Class:</b>	Charlotte Bristow, Joshua Ellery-Greaves
<b>Fox Class:</b>	Cecily Gauden, Sasha Jasinskaite
<b>Owl Class:</b>	Theo Beaman, Annabelle King

### Attendance

Our whole school target this year for attendance is **97%**  
This week's whole school attendance is

96%



### Punctuality Stars

Congratulations to all classes with no late marks this week



## **KUNG FU READING MASTER – BLACK BELT**



**Congratulations to Maximus Jasinkas  
Kung Fu Reading Master.**

### Festival of Voices

This year's Annual NAPE Festival of Voices is on Thursday 21st June in Dorchester Abbey.

The festival is open to children in KS2. This is a very popular and oversubscribed festival and we are very lucky to get 20 places for our children to attend the concert. If your child would like to take part in the Festival of Voices and is willing to commit to the afternoon rehearsal and concert, please complete the permission slip below.

### PTA Spring Fair Thursday 26th April 5 - 7.30pm

Thank you for all your donations, you have been very generous. Please continue to bring in tombola prizes (good condition toys, bottles of wine, boxes of chocolates, bath bubbles etc) next week if you haven't done so already.

Your child will come home with an empty jar this weekend. Please fill with sweeties or small toys and return to school on Monday. If you want to do more jam jars, they will be very welcome.

Donations of cupcakes, traybakes and whole cakes please on Thursday morning, we never seem to have enough to keep up with demand!

I still need helpers, so please let me know if you are free for an hour or so on the evening. Looking forward to seeing you all there for a great evening, remember we will be running an excellent barbeque with Butcher's sausages, burgers and a veggie option so you bring your family down for their tea!

### PTA running the tea room Saturday 12th May

We will be running the Abbey tea room on Sunday 12th May from 2pm until 5.30pm and we need a couple more parent helpers and some people to bake cakes. If you are able to help, please let me know. It is a really fun afternoon and raises an excellent amount of money for the PTA.

Thank you

Claire Andersson

### After School Clubs First Half Summer Term 2018

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Multi-sports (Ignite Sport - Free) 3.30pm- 4.30pm	<b>KS2 Choir</b> - 3:30pm – 4:15pm	<b>KS2 Drama Club</b> 3.30pm-4.30pm  KS2 Athletics Club with Mr Bristow 3:30pm – 4:15pm	<b>KS1 and KS2</b> Lego Club 3:30pm – 4:15pm	Ignite Sports - Free Hockey Club 3.15pm- <b>4.15pm</b> <b>(Please note</b> <b>children must</b> <b>be picked up by</b> <b>4.15pm)</b>

### Festival of Voices Concert 2018

Child's Name:

Years: 3 4 5 6

My child would like to take part in the Festival of Voices Concert on Thursday 21st June.

I give permission for my child to attend the afternoon rehearsal and evening concert.

Signed: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

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