



DORCHESTER, ST BIRINUS C.E. PRIMARY SCHOOL

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Headteacher's Thoughts

This week has been a busy week for the Year 6 children, who have been taking their SATs. I would like to congratulate all the Year 6 children for their positivity throughout the week and their determination to do their best. We have also had a relaxed time by sharing breakfast together each morning, which is always a brilliant way to start the day (they certainly can eat!). I am proud of all them and have really enjoyed these sessions with them.

Next Tuesday is our Music & Drama Evening at 6pm, an evening of performances by our children, who have lessons in various disciplines. I am really looking forward to it and hope to see many of you there and share the variety of talent within our school.

There is a note from the PTA further down in this newsletter, however, I want to say thank you to them for another amazing amount raised of £255.70 last week at the Tea rooms. I really appreciate their time and commitment to fundraising for the school.

You may have noticed that several of our children have achieved the Black Belt in our Kung Fu reading scheme – which is brilliant. Therefore to continue to motivate their reading, we have extended the scheme by another 50 reads to achieve the Black Belt – 2nd Degree. This amazing achievement will be recognised by the reader receiving a £5 book voucher to accompany their certificate. Remember – Keep Reading!

Just to remind the choir that there will be no practice next Tuesday after school.

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.

Tuesday 22nd May – 6pm – Musical Evening

Friday 25th May – 3:15pm – End of the first half term

Monday 4th June – INSET DAY

Tuesday 5th June – Back to school

Monday 11th June – Owl Class swimming starts

Monday 18th June – Cadbury World Trip

Tuesday 19th June – Y6 – Moon Buggies – St Birinus,
Didcot

Thursday 21st June – Festival of Voices – Choir

Wednesday 27th June – Y6 Diocese Service in the Abbey

Achievements Book

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

Hedgehog Class: Anushka Arun, Hugo Margison

Squirrel Class: Mickey Bell, Aiden Kitson

Fox Class: Melissa Obeng, Sasha Jasinskaite

Owl Class: All the Year 6 children

Attendance

Our whole school target this year for attendance is **97%**
This week's whole school attendance is **98%**



Punctuality Stars

Congratulations to all classes with no late marks this week



KUNG FU READING MASTER – BLACK BELT



**Congratulations to Delilah Budd
– Kung Fu Reading Master.**

KUNG FU READING MASTER – BLACK BELT – 2nd Degree



Congratulations to Jacob Hassall & Hugo Margison

After School Clubs First Half Summer Term 2018

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Multi-sports (Ignite Sport - Free) 3.30pm-4.30pm	KS2 Choir - 3:30pm – 4:15pm 22/5/18 - cancelled	KS2 Drama Club 3.30pm-4.30pm KS2 Athletics Club with Mr Bristow 3:30pm – 4:15pm	KS1 and KS2 Lego Club 3:30pm – 4:15pm	Ignite Sports - Free Hockey Club 3.15pm-4.15pm (Please note children must be picked up by 4.15pm)

PTA News

The PTA had a great afternoon running the Abbey tea room last Saturday to raise funds for the PTA. Thank you to everyone who baked cakes, all our visitors from school and to Penny, Emma and Ellie who were on duty. We raised £255.70!

I will be stepping down as Chair at the end of this year to concentrate on work. If anybody would like to come forward and onto committee with a view to taking on the Chair role, we would love to hear from you. There is a great team behind you and most of the events are well established. Please consider it as it is rewarding and worthwhile. We raise between £2000 - £3000 every year which gets spent on extras outside the school budget, e.g. transport for trips, gardening, and the school library.

Claire Andersson

Dorchester Abbey Museum presents:

A History of Light

Following our successful temporary exhibition commemorating the Queen's 90th birthday last year, we present a new temporary exhibition on the history of light! From earliest times to the present day, light has played a very special role in our lives – both practical and symbolic.

Do you have a special object at home, related to 'light', that you would like to share? Perhaps a meaningful story you could tell. We would like to hear about your memories: please come into the Museum to talk to us about them, or contact us by phone or e mail. Do you remember when some people used non-electric light and candles in the village? Please bring us an artefact relating to light which has a special significance for you with its own story.

Our temporary exhibition will be staged from May 26th for one month and we would love to feature your objects and memories!

This exhibition will also provide an introduction to the Abbey's 'LIGHT: A Spiritual Journey' from 20th October. A fabulous multi-media journey through Art, Music and the Sciences, with local artist Adrian Brookes and composer Tim Cook.



If you have memories or an item to share with us, please contact Anne-Marie Joffrin on 07578070012 or joffrin.annemarie@gmail.com, or drop into the museum and leave your contact details.