



DORCHESTER, ST BIRINUS C.E. PRIMARY SCHOOL

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Friday 6th July 2018

Headteacher's Thoughts

The Year 5's headed to Oxford Academy on Monday for a Numeracy Day, which involved making shortbread. A great start to the week. Mr Bennett joined Owl Class on Tuesday sharing information about National Democracy Week – thank you to him for his time. The excitement continued on Wednesday as the school was overrun by a marauding band of pirates as Squirrel Class had a very enjoyable Pirate day organised by Mrs Grenfell.

Over the last few weeks, twelve children of Owl Class have been completing their cycling proficiency training on the roads around Dorchester. Yesterday, in the afternoon heat, they were tested by an external examiner. I am really proud of their efforts and congratulate Tom, Leon, Jacob, Joshua, Olivia and Gabriel for achieving their Level One and to Alex, Tommy, Toby, Charlie, Phoebe and Annabelle on achieving their Level Two. Thank you to Mrs Bristow, Mrs White, Miss Edwards and Mrs Turner for their help over this time.

Thinking ahead to next year's school organisation - please find below how the classes will be arranged from September

- Hedgehog Class – Foundation Stage - Mrs Harding
- Squirrel Class – Year 1 and Year 2 - Mrs Grenfell and Mrs Goby
supported by Miss Dexter and Miss Edwards
- Fox Class – Year 3 and Year 4 - Mrs Eade supported by Mrs Burns and Miss Ray
- Owl Class – Year 5 and Year 6 – Mrs Eacopo supported by Mrs Aries.

The children will have an opportunity to visit their new class next Wednesday as we also welcome our new Foundation children for the morning.

Over the last few years we have held themed days on the penultimate day of term (Pirates / Kings and Queens). This year, we will be holding a 'Movie day' on Tuesday 24th July – what movie character or actor could you be? A Hobbit, James Bond Princess Leia or even a minion. The children will spend the day with their houses and visit each classroom to complete a variety of activities – I am sure it will be another great day!

Also, on the 24th July is the PTA Disco, which will be in school from 6 – 7:30pm. Tickets will go on sale from next Wednesday from the Year 6 children at the beginning of each morning only. The price of the ticket will be £3 per child (£5 for 2).

Mr. Leigh

Our Christian Value for this half term is:

Respect

During collective worship, we will be learning about **respect for people** because you admire something about them, **respect for other people's feelings**, wishes and rights as well as **respect for the environment**. We will learn that we can't expect to be respected unless we show respect.

'So whatever you wish that others would do to you, do also to them'
Matthew 7:12

Future Diary Dates.

Tuesday 10th July – 6pm Governor Committees
Wednesday 11th July – Owl Class – Puberty Talk
Wednesday 18th July – 7pm – Full Governors
Monday 23rd July – 2pm & 6pm – KS2 Play – more details to follow

Tuesday 24th July – Movie Day
Tuesday 24th July – 6pm – PTA Disco
Wednesday 25th July – 9:30am – Leavers Service in the Abbey
2pm – School finishes for the Summer (End of Term)

Achievements Book

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

Hedgehog Class: Rozalla Robinson, Patience Curtis

Squirrel Class: Mylo Budd, Fern Andersson

Fox Class: Riley Wells, Courtney Ashley

Owl Class: Joshua Jojy, Phoebe De-Maine

Attendance

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

This week's whole school attendance is

97%



Punctuality Stars

Well done to Squirrel and Owl Classes with no late marks this week



KUNG FU READING MASTER – BLACK BELT – 2nd Degree



Congratulations to Cressida Kilby-Birch

Head Lice

There have been several cases reported this week – please could we ask that you check your child's hair over the weekend and treat if required. Thank you.

Lost cardigan

Poppy in Squirrel Class has lost 2 grey cardigans. They are both named and are from George at Asda aged 6-7. Please could you check to make sure your child has not taken them home by mistake.

Thank you.