



DORCHESTER, ST BIRINUS C.E. PRIMARY SCHOOL

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Friday 28th September 2018

Headteacher's Thoughts

Staff News

Our prayers are with Mrs Harding, who has had a family bereavement this week, we are all thinking about her at this difficult time.

Isle of Wight - Annabelle, Carys, Phoebe, Leo, Jacob, Charlie, Toby, Theo and Bryn along with Mrs Eacopo have been having the most incredible week in the Isle of Wight on their residential. With the extra special weather (never like this when I am on the residential!), they have been getting up to all sorts of exciting activities including body boarding, archery, abseiling and charging around in buggies as well as eating a great deal of food. Mrs Eacopo has been pleased that all this sea air and excitement has made sure they have all been fast asleep early. I can't wait to hear all about it this evening and next week.

Harvest - It is our Harvest Festival in the Abbey next week – there is an additional letter about this coming home this evening. All are welcome to join us at 9:15am in the Abbey – do come along if you can.

Parents Evenings - As you will see from the diary, Parents Evenings are approaching - a chance to find out how your child is settling into the new academic year. The booking system through Parentmail will be available on Monday afternoon to book your appointment.

Mr. Leigh

Our Christian Value for this half term is:

Creativity

As part of our work on this value, we will think about God as Creator of the world. We will talk about what a great designer God must be and how powerful He is. We are reminded how important it is for us to make informed choices about looking after our world.

'For nothing will be impossible with God.' Luke 1.37

Future Diary Dates.

Wednesday 3rd October – Y6 PE morning at Wallingford

Thursday 4th October – 9:15am Harvest Service in the
Abbey

Friday 5th October – Foundation to Y5 – Flu Vaccination

Wednesday 10th October – 7pm – Full Governors

Friday 12th October – Open Morning

Monday 15th / Tuesday 16th October – Parents Evenings

Thursday 18th October – Tempest Individual Photos

Friday 19th October -3:15pm Half term starts

Monday 29th October – School resumes

Monday 29th October – Owl Class swimming

Achievements Book

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

Squirrel Class: Delilah Budd, Millie Shrimpton

Fox Class: Warwick-Zion Taylor, Nola Kelly

Owl Class: Olivia Obeng, Sian Wilson

Attendance

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

This week's whole school attendance is **98%**



Punctuality Stars

Congratulations to Fox and Owl class with no late marks this week.



Open Morning

Thinking ahead, we are holding our annual open morning for prospective parents on Friday 12th October at 9:30am. I have attached a flyer to the end of this newsletter, which I hope you can pass on if you know any parents with children starting school next September. Thank you

Secondary School Applications

A reminder to Year 5 parents that the deadline for your child's secondary school application forms is the 31st October 2018. The website is already open to complete the forms - <https://www.oxfordshire.gov.uk/residents/schools/starting-school/secondary-school>



Harvest Messy Church

Sun 7th Oct
4 - 5:30pm
BERINSFIELD CHURCH HALL

Join us for fun and informal church for the whole family. Fun crafts, fun worship, and sharing good food.
Bring any donations for the food bank



All ages very much welcome!



Open Morning at Dorchester St Birinus CE Primary School

(For children starting school in September 2018)

We would like to invite you to visit our friendly, welcoming and hardworking school on
Friday 12th October 2018

Please arrive by 9.30am for coffee and a talk by our Headteacher, Mr Leigh, followed by a tour of the school with an opportunity to spend some time with your child in the Foundation/Year 1 classroom

If you can come along please let us know, thank you.
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We look forward to meeting you and welcoming you to
Dorchester St Birinus CE Primary School