



# DORCHESTER, ST BIRINUS C.E. PRIMARY SCHOOL

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Friday 9th November 2018

## Headteacher's Thoughts

It is time to announce October's 'Writer of the Month' children for each class.

**Squirrel Class: Delilah Budd, Poppy Line**

**Fox Class: Reilly Newport, Max Pottinger**

**Owl Class: Jacob Clewley, Sian Wilson**

If you get a chance, please come in and read their work.

As I have mentioned in the last couple of newsletters, Revd. Sue led our special assembly in the Abbey yesterday to present our Poppy Banner. It was a very moving time especially hearing the names of soldiers from the village who lost their lives during the wars. The banner will on display in the Abbey and will also be part of the Remembrance Service on Sunday.

Children in Need is next Friday and as usual the children can come dressed in non-uniform at a cost of £1. There is no theme for the type of clothing but spots always work! Several of Owl Class have been working on presenting a talent show, which they hope to present on the following Friday – further details to follow next week with money raised going to supplement our Children in Need money.

The PTA are organising the Bags 2 school blue bags again to collect your unwanted clothes as you prepare for your winter wardrobe. The bags are due back to school on the 27<sup>th</sup> November. As always with our limited space, please do not bring the bags back to school until the afternoon before at the earliest. Thank you. *Mr. Leigh*

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

## Forgiveness

As part of our work, we will be thinking about how important it is to forgive people who upset us and how we need to say sorry if we do things to hurt others. We will be learning about how Jesus is a great inspiration to Christians to forgive others. We will also think about God's all-forgiving love.

"Forgive us our sins, as we also forgive everyone who sins against us."  
Luke 11:4

### Future Diary Dates.

Friday 16<sup>th</sup> November – Children in Need

Friday 30<sup>th</sup> November – Squirrel Class to visit Oxford Castle

Thursday 6<sup>th</sup> / Friday 7<sup>th</sup> December – Community Open Mornings – see poster below

Tuesday 11<sup>th</sup> December – KS1 Nativity Play

Wednesday 12<sup>th</sup> December – Christmas Lunch

Thursday 13<sup>th</sup> December – KS1 Christmas Party

Friday 14<sup>th</sup> December – Christmas Jumper Day

Monday 17<sup>th</sup> December – 2pm Pantomime

Tuesday 18<sup>th</sup> December – KS2 Christmas Party

### Achievements Book

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

**Hedgehog Class:** Kassandra Jasinskaite

**Squirrel Class:** Harley-Jay Sanders, Juvanita Johnson

**Fox Class:** Rose Chadney, Aiden Kitson, Oriana Lobb

**Owl Class:** Brynmor Bennett, Mckenzie Bell

### Attendance

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

**96%**



### Punctuality Stars

Congratulations to Owl, Squirrel and Hedgehog classes with no late marks this week.



## Trip to the Oxford Playhouse to see 'Dick Whittington and His Cat'

### Monday 17<sup>th</sup> December 2018

We have booked the Playhouse in Oxford to see their production of "Dick Whittington and His Cat" on **Monday 17<sup>th</sup> December**. This will be a lovely afternoon out for the children and a great opportunity for them all to see a "live" performance on stage. The trip will cost £13.50 per child and to keep the cost down for you the PTA has agreed to contribute towards the total cost again this year. (Permission slips and payment to be returned in a marked envelope to your child's teacher/Payment via Parentmail). The children should wear their school uniform and have a coat. As this is an afternoon performance we do not expect to be back in school until 4pm.

### After School Clubs

**Tuesday : Y2 – Y4 Science Club 3.30pm-4.15pm (15 children)**

Mrs Grenfell will continue to run this club until **Tuesday 11th December**

**Tuesday: KS2 Craft Club 3.30pm-4.15pm (20 children)**

This Club will run until **Tuesday 11<sup>th</sup> December**.

**Wednesday : KS2 Drama Club 3.30pm-4.30pm**

The Drama Club is provided by Boost for KS2 children-if you require further information please speak to Caroline Seed. Please note there is a charge for this club.

**Thursday : KS2 Choir 3.30pm-4.15pm**

Mr Leigh will continue to run Choir working on songs for Young Voices until **Thursday 13<sup>th</sup> December**

**Thursday : Hockey Club with Mr Burrows 3.15pm-4.15pm (Until 13<sup>th</sup> December)**

**Friday : Sports Club with Mr Burrows 3.15pm-4.15pm (Until 14<sup>th</sup> December)**

## Pantomime Trip

Child's Name \_\_\_\_\_

Class \_\_\_\_\_

I give permission for my child/children to attend the trip to Oxford Playhouse on the afternoon of **Monday 17<sup>th</sup> December 2018**.

I enclose payment of \_\_\_\_\_ (£13.50 per child) / I have paid via Parentmail

Signed \_\_\_\_\_ Parent/Guardian.

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