



DORCHESTER, ST BIRINUS C.E. PRIMARY SCHOOL

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Friday 26th April 2019

Headteacher's Thoughts

I hope you had a great Easter break and enjoyed eating your Easter eggs in the wonderful weather, which has not really stayed with us as we come back to school. We start an important term for our Year 6 children as they approach their SATs week in May.

You will have noticed that the new climbing equipment has now arrived in the playground – sadly due to some unforeseen elements, the children didn't have the opportunity to try it out until Thursday, which they did with great excitement. As I mentioned in the last newsletter of the term, we were able to complete this project with help from the PTA, for which we are very grateful.

Next Friday is our May dancing event at 1.30pm and everyone is very welcome. This will be held on the playground – weather permitting. Please do come along if you can to watch the hard work the children and teachers have put into this event. As part of the festivities, we will be having an official opening of the new equipment prior to the May Dancing – so we can all be part of the occasion. If you are able to make some cakes for this event that would be great – please bring them into school in the morning of Friday.

Other date for your diary:

- Musical Evening - Tuesday 22nd May at 6.30pm – more details to follow

Mr. Leigh

Our Christian Value for this half term is:

Courage

We will think about the importance of **standing up for what is right** against the odds, **sticking by one's convictions** and **not being swayed as well as strength of will**. We will also think about how we can encourage each other to do so too.

Future Diary Dates.

Wednesday 1st May – 7pm – Full Governors

Friday 3rd May – 1:30pm – May Dancing

Monday 6th May – BANK HOLIDAY

Wednesday 8th May – Cricket Session for Fox and
Squirrel Classes

Thursday 9th May – KS1 Music Festival – Squirrel Class

Week beginning 13th May – Year 6 SATS WEEK

Tuesday 14th May – Hedgehog class visit Farmer Gows

Tuesday 21st May – 6:30pm Musical Evening

Friday 24th May – 3:15pm – Half term

Achievements Book

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

Hedgehog Class:

Maisy Mackrory

Squirrel Class:

Molly Bindon, Tobith Biju

Fox Class:

Mickey Bell, Angelina Sirjajeva

Owl Class:

Riley Wells, Annabelle King

Attendance

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

This week's whole school attendance is

94%



Punctuality Stars

Congratulations to Hedgehog and Fox Class with no late marks this week.



Message from Fox Class

A big thank you to Mr and Mrs Kelly for a fantastic space activity in Fox Class just before Easter.

KS1 Music Festival

Squirrel Class are taking part in this event on Thursday 9th May-all parents have received a letter detailing the event. Tickets are available from the link below:

<http://www.wegotickets.com/event/468198>

Missing PE shirt

Loveday from Hedgehog Class has lost her PE t-shirt. Please could you check your child's kit to make sure they haven't taken it home by mistake.

Thank you.

Mrs Harding the daredevil

Mrs Harding has agreed to be a part of the Dorchester Festival abseiling from the Abbey tower. As part of this project, she has to raise £400 for the Dorchester Festival Fund – if you would like to sponsor Mrs Harding in her brave endeavours, please follow the following link <https://mydonate.bt.com/fundraisers/sandraharding1>

A Summer Concert to raise funds for our school

Dear Parents

I am organising a concert in Dorchester Abbey as a fundraiser and to raise the profile of our very musical school within our local communities.

Mr Leigh has kindly offered to play, which will be a real treat I am sure. In addition, I am asking for any staff or parents (past or present) who play or sing and would like to take part, to come forward. All types of music are very welcome and we can arrange piano accompaniment if necessary.

The concert will take place on Tuesday 23rd July so there will be plenty of time to practise!

Please everybody, put the date in your diaries and start to invite friends, family and neighbours. If you would like to perform, please see me or drop me an email:

sarah.gauden@btopenworld.com

Many thanks

Sarah Gauden(Cecily's mum)

Festival of Voices

This year's Annual NAPE Festival of Voices is on Thursday 20th 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.

After School Clubs Second Spring Half Term 2019

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
No Clubs	KS2 Choir (for Festival of Voices) 3:15pm – 4:15pm (to start 14 th May)	KS2 Drama Club 3.30pm-4.30pm	Sports Club 3.15pm-4.15pm	Hockey Club 3.15pm-4.15pm

Choir - Tuesdays 3.15pm-4.15pm (starting 14.05.19)

Child's Name _____

Class _____

I give permission for my child to attend Choir after school.

Signed _____ Parent/Guardian

Date _____

Multi-Sports Club- Thursdays 3.15pm-4.15pm

Child's Name _____

Class _____

I give permission for my child to attend Multi-sports Club after school.

Signed _____ Parent/Guardian

Date _____

Hockey Club- Fridays 3.15pm-4.15pm

Child's Name _____

Class _____

I give permission for my child to attend Hockey Club after school.

Signed _____ Parent/Guardian

Date _____

Festival of Voices Concert 2019

Child's Name:

Years: 3 4 5 6

My child would like to take part in the Festival of Voices Concert on Thursday 20th June.

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

Signed: _____

Date: _____