



DORCHESTER, ST BIRINUS C.E. PRIMARY SCHOOL

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Headteacher's Thoughts

Owl class have been busy this week on their Bikeability course. Each group has had two intense days of cycle training – they have cycled around Dorchester and Berinsfield with Chris and Ross from Avanti Cycling. The children have had a great time and their cycling has certainly improved.

This morning was our second E.A.L assembly – a great opportunity for children to talk about their own language and share something with the other children in school. Well done to all the children who took part this morning and to Mrs Grenfell for organising.

You will be receiving your child's report on Monday. The format of the report for Year 1 to Year 6 children remains as last year and includes an effort grade for each of the subjects at the back of the report, but as a brief explanation, we have based the achievement on our assessment system and a general acceptable level of effort as a grade 'C' and based our judgements around this grade. The Foundation Stage report follows the areas of learning followed in the Early Years. We are hoping that the majority of parents will find that the written reports provide a full picture of their child's work and progress and that a meeting with the teacher will not be necessary. However, if you do have any outstanding questions related to the report or your child's work and progress, please telephone Mrs Flinders to make an appointment to see your child's class teacher after school on Monday 22nd July.

Mr. Leigh

Our Christian Value for this half term is:

Thankfulness

We will think about what we are **thankful** for. We will also be learning how we should appreciate and be **thankful** to our family and friends and also to God. We will be looking at raising consciousness of being thankful for those things we often take for granted.

Future Diary Dates.

Saturday 13th July – Pre-School Fete
Tuesday 16th July – 5:30pm – School Disco
Wednesday 17th July – 7pm – Full Governors Meeting
Thursday 18th July – KS2 School Play – 2pm & 6pm
Saturday 20th July – 10:30am – Pickleball demo
Tuesday 23rd July – Musical Concert in the Abbey
Wednesday 24th July – 9:30am – Leavers Service in the Abbey
Wednesday 24th July – 2pm – School closes for the summer holiday.

Achievements Book

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

Hedgehog Class: Koreigh Curtis

Squirrel Class: Hugo Margison, Lori-Mae Garricks

Fox Class: Ryan Robinson, Marcie Bennett

Owl Class: Joe Robinson, Joshua Jojy

Attendance

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

94%



Punctuality Stars

Sadly all classes have at least one late mark this week.



KUNG FU READING MASTER – BLACK BELT



Congratulations to Max Jaskinkas

KUNG FU READING MASTER – BLACK BELT

– 2nd Degree



Congratulations to Hugo Margison

PTA is running the Tea Room on Saturday 7th September

Save the date! Shortly after our return to school in September, the PTA will be running the Abbey Tea Room to raise essential funds for the PTA. **We will need cakes and helpers!** Please let me know if you are able to bake a cake, batch of cupcakes or traybake and a few people on the afternoon to help out between 2 - 5.30pm. Don't worry if you haven't done it before, it's really a doddle, great fun and I will be there to coordinate everything.

Email me if you can help - before the end of term please!

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Forest School

Year 1 have their last Forest School of the term next Tuesday and we currently have no helpers. If you could spare some time please let either Mrs Flinders or Miss Dexter know. Thank you.

Free School Meals

If your family is in receipt of Free School Meals and you are concerned that the summer holiday may put a strain on your budget, Wallingford Foodbank are running a scheme which may help. For further information please speak to the office.

KS2 Summer Production

Tickets for the performances of Mystery at Magpie Manor will be sent home on Wednesday 17th July. If you have not ordered your tickets yet please send the slip into the office as soon as possible-tickets are allocated on a first come first served basis.

Lost shoe

Zachary in Owl Class has lost one of his school shoes-please check that your child has not taken it home by mistake.



ST. BIRINUS SCHOOL PICKLEBALL FUN DAY

Come and try a game of Pickleball!

Saturday 20th July

10:30 – 12:30

Dorchester St. Birinus school playground



Everyone welcome

Pickleball demo by a team from Abingdon

Try Pickleball for yourself

Soft drinks, biscuits and cakes provided

Please bring your own water, especially if it's hot

Please note that the school facilities will be closed

**Organised by Val Howells, school governor raising
money for the school's playground resurfacing appeal:**

www.justgiving.com/fundraising/st-birinus-playground