

# Ditcheat Primary School

## Weekly Newsletter: 12<sup>th</sup> March 2018

This newsletter can also be read on our school website:

<http://ditcheatprimary.co.uk/>

### Dates

*New Dates in Bold and Italic*

#### March

Monday 12<sup>th</sup> - Parents' Evening

Tuesday 13<sup>th</sup> - Rendezvous - Holly Class

Wednesday 14<sup>th</sup> - Parents' Evening

**Tuesday 20<sup>th</sup> - Piano concert - NEW DATE**

Thursday 22<sup>nd</sup> - Easter Service - 9.30am at Ditcheat Church

Monday 26<sup>th</sup> March - Friday 6<sup>th</sup> April - Easter Holidays

#### April

**Tuesday 10<sup>th</sup> - Rendezvous**

### Word of the week



<u>Cherry</u>	<u>Maple</u>	<u>Holly</u>	<u>Willow</u>
diabolical	exquisite	irony	dispute

Please find time over the next five days to help your child;

- Find the meaning
- Practise using it in a sentence
- Find a **synonym** (similar word) or **antonym** (opposite) of the word.

### Cancelled Clubs

Please note, due to parents' evening today, Monday 12<sup>th</sup> and Wednesday 14<sup>th</sup> March the only clubs running this week will be Mr Lynk's multi skills and netball and Miss Mason's Dance Club. All other clubs will be cancelled.

### Threadworms

We have detected a case of threadworms. They are common in children and spread easily. Please can you enforce good hand hygiene at home as well as school. All the children are encouraged to wash hands before eating and after using the toilet. If you discover your child has them please speak to your local pharmacist. It is easily treated by taking a chewy tablet, the household will need to take one as well.

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### Book Review

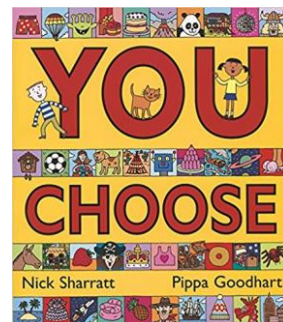
# You Choose

by Pippa Goodhart

Imagine you could go anywhere, with anyone and do anything. Where would you live? Where would you sleep?

Such fun! My 3 year old niece loved it.

Suitable for children aged 3 - 9. It gets a 9/10 from me.



### Piano Concert

The date of the piano concert has now moved to Tuesday 20<sup>th</sup> March. This is a concert for children who are taught by Bobbie. Parents and carers of those children are invited to watch their child's performance. If your child has lessons outside of school and would like to take part in the concert please email Bobbie - [bobbiearrow@hotmail.co.uk](mailto:bobbiearrow@hotmail.co.uk)

### Scarlet Fever - UPDATE

**We have had a confirmed case of Scarlet Fever at school. Please read the information below from the Public Health Authority.**

We have received a letter from the Public Health Authority to inform us of a recent national increase in notifications of scarlet fever to Public Health England, above seasonal expected levels.

#### Signs and symptoms of scarlet fever

Scarlet fever is a common childhood infection caused by *Streptococcus pyogenes*, or group A streptococcus (GAS). The early symptoms of scarlet fever include sore throat, headache, fever, nausea and vomiting. After 12 to 48 hours the characteristic red, pinhead rash develops, typically first appearing on the chest and stomach, then rapidly spreading to other parts of the body, and giving the skin a **sandpaper-like texture**. Patients typically have flushed cheeks and pallor around the mouth. This may be accompanied by a 'strawberry tongue'. As the child improves, peeling of the skin can occur.

#### Infection control advice

As per national *Guidance on Infection Control in Schools and other Child Care Settings*, children and adults with suspected scarlet fever should be **excluded** from school for **24 hours** after the commencement of appropriate antibiotic treatment. Good hygiene practice such as hand washing remains the most important step in preventing and controlling spread of infection.

### Easter Bonnet Parade

On Thursday 22<sup>nd</sup> March we will be holding our Easter service in the church which you are all invited to. The service will begin at 9.30am. It is tradition that the children walk up to the church in their Easter bonnets that have been made at home. The children will be walking up to the church at 9.15am so if you would like to line the streets to watch the parade we would warmly welcome this.

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## Our learning week ahead

### Cherry Class

Numeracy Place value - teen numbers

Literacy How to look after... chicks, snakes, dogs etc.

### Maple Class

Numeracy Fractions - finding a half and a quarter of a shape, number and length.

Literacy Retelling The Very Hungry Caterpillar, by Eric Carle

### Holly Class

Numeracy Measure problems

Literacy Poetry

### Willow Class

Numeracy Measures: converting metric and imperial

Literacy Persuasive writing: Speech writing

### Stars of the Week

Imogen Fawcett, Anoushka Lumley, Maddie Russell

### Headteacher's Cup

Maya Papsø

### Writers of the Week

Grace Bou Aoun, Katie Paddison and Molly Wadsworth

### Mathematicians of the week

Victor Travis, Olivia Fowler, Freya Hare and Lewis Dycer

**Well done to all of you!**