



Ditchheat Primary School

Weekly Newsletter: 24th June 2019

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

Dates

New dates in bold and italic

June

Tuesday 25th -

New Reception Intake afternoon – 1.15pm – 3.00pm

Friday 28th -

Fitness Friday Cancelled

July

Monday 1st -

Vocabulary Day – children to come in with their favourite adjective

Tuesday 2nd -

Parent Online Safety Session – 3.30-4.30pm

Tuesday 2nd -

FoDS AGM – 6.00pm – 7.00pm ALL welcome

Wednesday 3rd -

Transition morning for whole school

Wednesday 3rd -

New Reception Intake morning – 9.00am – 11.00am

Wednesday 3rd -

Thank You Tea Party

Thursday 4th -

Parent Forum – SEN – 8.45am

Friday 5th -

Home learning work due in

Friday 5th -

Rescheduled Piano concert – 9.00am

Monday 8th -

Sports Day – PM for parents and carers

Monday 8th -

Rounders match – Parents Vs Staff – 3.30pm

Tuesday 9th -

Yr 6 Sports day at Ansford

Wednesday 10th -

Holly Class Fete – Details to be confirmed

Thursday 11th -

What a Knight – Evening performance – 6.00pm

Thursday 11th -

Summer Reading Challenge Assembly for children

Thursday 11th -

Guitar Concert – 3.00pm

Friday 12th -

What a Knight – Afternoon performance – time TBC

Monday 15th -

Reserve Sports Day – PM for Parents and Carers

Tuesday 16th -

Music concert – 2.30pm – Ukulele, Drumming

Tuesday 16th -

Drop-in parent evening - 3.20pm – 5.00pm

Thursday 18th -

Presentation assembly – 2.30pm

Friday 19th -

Leavers' assembly - 2.30pm

Word of the week



| <u>Cherry</u> | <u>Maple</u> | <u>Holly</u> | <u>Willow</u> |
|---------------|--------------|--------------|---------------|
| hexagon | life cycle | proper | <i>obtain</i> |

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.

Headteacher Update

Unfortunately, athletics was cancelled last week but thankfully the weather held for our Summer fete. A massive thank you to the FoDS team for organising such a great day for everyone.

Our country dancers put on a wonderful show led by Kate Knowles – all of their hard work really paid off.



Our author visit last week resulted in some excellent writing from the children and those that bought a book were delighted to have it signed. Thank you to Dawn Knight for organising the day.

Next week is extremely busy but it would be great to have a good support for our parent online safety session, FoDS meeting and parent forum.

Victoria Withers

Attendance For Last Week

| Cherry | Maple | Holly | Willow |
|--------|-------|-------|--------|
| 98.3% | 98.6% | 90.9% | 88.9% |

Whole School Attendance up to last week: 96.1%

Holly Class Newsflash

In exchange for extra playtime, could children please begin bringing in goodies for Holly class fete? We will need bags of wrapped sweets to give as prizes, lollies, apples for bobbing, bottles for our bottle tombola, any toys, books, bric-a-brac in good condition and raffle prizes. Please remember, the whole event is organised and run by Holly class children even down to what I write on this letter. **Holly Class**

Glastonbury Festival

Please be mindful that traffic could be busier this week and on Monday 1st July, due to festival traffic.

Hot Weather

I am sure most of you have seen the imminent hot spell arriving this week. Can you please make sure your child brings in a water bottle, hat and has sun tan lotion applied before school. Thank you.

Country Dancing Outfits

Could you please return your outfits to myself or Mrs Battye so we can tick you off the list. I have 9 outfits outstanding. Please do not wash the outfits! I want to bulk wash them so the colour does not fade. Thank you Kate Knowles.

FoDS News

The Summer Fete on Saturday was a really fantastic day! We enjoyed it so much, we hope you did too. Thank you to everyone who organised, got involved by volunteering or donating cakes, bric-a-brac, produce and bottles.

The generous residents of Alhampton were kind enough to allow us to take over the village for the day and they were there early to setup and late to break down.

We particularly enjoyed the performance from our wonderful Country Dancers, and were so grateful for the willingness of so many children who offered to help out and run the games.

In addition we had stalls from several local small businesses, providing a range of products, but we were especially impressed with the entrepreneurial skills of our very own Olivia Fowler. Liv had spent weeks making loom bands to be sold on her own stall, and at the end of the Fete she presented the team with £45 which she wanted to donate to FoDS. Well done Liv - your hard work really paid off - thank you so much!!

The really wonderful news is that we had a quick count up and total takings on the day were approximately **£1500!**

Don't forget that we are holding our Annual General Meeting on 2nd July at 6pm. Everyone is welcome.

Donations Please

During the summer holidays the room opposite the office will be having a makeover. This room will now be the library and hopefully in the new school year we can get it up and running again with a small team of volunteers. During the holidays it will be painted and transformed into a calming and inspiring place for children to relax and have an opportunity to grow their love of reading.

Could we please ask for donations of good quality large cushions, beanbags, rugs, old books (these will be used to form part of 2 displays and will be cut up), plug in fairy lights, brown paper packaging that is sometimes used to pack parcels and light weight fabric. If you have any questions please speak to Kate Knowles.

Our learning week ahead

Cherry Class

Numeracy Money

Literacy Past tense

Maple Class

Numeracy Fractions

Literacy Inventing a story

Holly Class

Numeracy Mass and capacity

Literacy Stories from other cultures

Willow Class

Numeracy Assessment week

Literacy Assessment week

Stars of the Week

Cherry: Chloe

Holly: Grace BA

Willow: Ella

Writers of the Week

Maple: Toby

Holly: Jake and Mia

Willow: Millie

Headteacher's Cup

Holly: Hattie

Mathematicians of the week

Maple: Finn

Holly: Edith

Willow: Lucy

Well done to all of you!