



Ditchheat Primary School

Weekly Newsletter: 7th October 2019

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

Dates

New dates in bold and italic

October

- Tuesday 8th - Rendezvous – Willow class – parents welcome
- Thursday 10th - School photos – Non-school sibling photos 8.45am
- Wednesday 16th - NO netball club after school with Mr Crook
- Thursday 24th - Harvest festival at the church – 2.00pm
- Friday 25th** - ***Mrs Cooper's retirement assembly – 2.45pm***
- Friday 25th - Halloween disco – 6.00pm-7.30pm

Half Term – Monday 28th October – Friday 1st November

November

- Thursday 7th - Parent Forum
- Tuesday 12th - Rendezvous – Holly class – parents welcome
- Tuesday 12th - FoDS meeting – 3.15pm
- Wednesday 13th - Flu Vaccinations during school day
- Friday 15th - FoDS Quiz – Details to follow
- Monday 18th - Willow class trip – Details to follow

December

- Friday 6th - Christmas Panto
- Friday 6th – 13th - Book People book fair – Details to follow
- Tuesday 10th - Rendezvous – Maple class – parents welcome
- Wednesday 11th - Music concert – Drumming, Piano and Guitar
- Friday 13th - Christmas Jumper Day
- Wednesday 18th - FoDS Christmas Lunch – Details to follow
- Friday 20th - Christmas Carol Service – Details to follow

Christmas Holiday – Monday 23rd December – Friday 3rd January

Attendance For Last Week

| Cherry | Maple | Holly | Willow |
|---|-------|-------|--------|
| 100% | 98.7% | 98.9% | 99.4% |
| Whole School Attendance up to last week: 98.7% | | | |

Mrs Cooper's Retirement Assembly

We welcome you all to join us for Mrs Cooper's retirement assembly on Friday 25th October at 2.45pm. If you would like to contribute to Mrs Cooper's present please leave a donation in the school office.

Wet Weather

Can you please make sure your child comes to school with a coat. We have a lot of children in school without them. We take all children out at playtimes even when it is raining. Thank you.

Headteacher Update

Inspire

Thank you to all our families who came to our Inspire morning last week. The children really benefit from being able to share their learning and I hope that those that came got a good idea of what life is like in the classroom.

Drop offs and Pick ups

Last week was our first with our new morning and after school routines. Thank you for all your support.

Rendezvous

Willow class will be going to Rendezvous at the village hall this Tuesday. All families are welcome.

Questionnaire

Thank you for all those who completed the parent questionnaire at Inspire. If you were unable to come and therefore not complete a questionnaire, please collect one from the school office.



Victoria Withers

FoDS News

Halloween Disco - Fri 25th Oct

You've probably seen that we are hosting a Halloween Disco for the children on the last day of term. We will have a disco, games, fun activities and refreshments. Children are very welcome to dress up and we will also be awarding a prize for the best carved pumpkin (please bring these along on the night to be entered for the competition!).

We're on the lookout for some help to get the School decorated and ready for the party! Can you help with:

- Halloween decorations - anything you have in the cupboard from Halloweens past, or if you are a bit crafty and fancy creating decorations please also get in touch!
- Plastic milk bottles - one of our decoration-ideas requires empty (and clean) plastic bottles.
- Volunteers - if you would be able to stay for the duration to keep the children entertained, serve the refreshments, etc we'd love to hear from you. Thank you to those who have already let us know that you'll be there!

Christmas Cards

Some of you will remember that last year we raised some much needed pennies by having our wonderful children create Christmas designs - and our fabulous parents buy Cards, wrapping paper, magnets and keyrings - minimum order value is £4. They were really popular and feedback from parents who ordered was great.

Although it is still only October, designs and order forms need to be complete and returned to the School Office by Friday 18th October. A pack including the order form (on which your child must complete their design) and prices will be coming home this week.

If there are siblings at home who would also like to complete a design, extra copies of the order form are available from the School Office.

Ditcheat Extra and Early Birds

The deadline for clearing your accounts was today. Unfortunately, if your account is not cleared today your child will not be able to attend DE or EB tomorrow (Tuesday 8th October).

Data Collection Sheets

Can you please make sure you have sent your child's updated Data Collection Sheet to the school office. It is vital we have updated emergency contact information for your child.

Stars of the Week

Cherry: Olivia

Maple: Evie

Holly: Darcey

Willow: Millie

Writers of the Week

Cherry: Daisy

Maple: Millie

Holly: Ryan

Willow: George

Mathematicians of the week

Cherry: Archie

Maple: Paige

Holly: Olivia F

Willow: Isabel

Well done to all of you!