



**DODFORD FIRST SCHOOL  
NEWSLETTER**  
*Every Day, a Learning Journey*

'We are thinking about the value 'COLLABORATION' this half term...

Unity is strength...  
when there is  
teamwork and  
collaboration,  
wonderful things can  
be achieved.

### Malvern Trip

Year 4 arrived back from their 3 day residential today. They all looked extremely tired, especially the teachers! They have had lots of fun and we look forward to hearing about their adventures and seeing the photos too. Thank you to Mrs Eggleton and Miss Underhill for accompanying the children on their residential.

### Summer Fete/Flyer from DPA

Again, thank you to the members of the Parents Association and their family members who helped put on the summer fete. Approximately £600 was raised. The funds raised from the sale of the children's pots and keyrings, a wonderful £87.75 profit, is going straight back into the classrooms and the teachers will be asking the children what they would like to spend their money on. A flyer is attached with the newsletter this week and a form for you to complete can be found in your child's book bag. Please return these before the end of term. The office will pass on your forms to Emma Currier, the Chair of the DPA, thank you.

### Cystic Fibrosis Fundraiser

Thanks to all your small change donations, we have raised £64.98. Thank you to the community ambassadors for counting all of the loose change!

### Second Hand Uniform Sale

As previously mentioned we are planning to hold a second-hand uniform sale before the end of term. Please could you send in any clothing by Friday 8th July, thank you. We will shortly be telling you the dates and times of when the sale will be taking place.

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### CLUBS

**THURSDAY 3.15—4.15**

**SPORTS FROM AROUND  
THE WORLD**

**FRIDAY 3.15—4.15**

**FOOTBALL CLUB**

COMING SOON!

Thursday 7th July—Y4 Bell-  
boating Regatta

Friday 8th July—End of Year  
reports home

Tuesday 12th July—Open  
afternoons for Robins and  
Owls

2.00pm—2.30pm—Y1 and Y3

2.30pm—3.00pm—Y2 and Y4

Wednesday 13th July—Stay  
and Play session for Wrens—  
2pm—3pm

Thursday 14th July—Year 4  
Leaver's trip—Hollywood Bowl

Tuesday 19th July—Year 4  
Graduation Evening

Thursday 20th July—  
Achievement Assembly/Last  
day of term





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### Lower Smite Farm Trip

Year 3 and 4 went to Lower Smite Farm on Monday 27th June to learn about rocks and soils. Firstly, we got into groups and we watched a video and we were given clues to find rocks and we found them all. Next, we grouped them and named them, igneous, metamorphic and sedimentary. We were then given Starburst sweets and we made them into sedimentary rocks and then we squashed them into metamorphic rocks. We tried to make some soil and this didn't go well. After lunch we got some soil and squished it into different shapes to figure out what type of soil it was, we also went up a field to see different layers of soil, top soil, sub soil and bedrock, it was amazing!

We dug into the soil to see the different colours and finally we looked at some fossils, Freya in year 3 said "We had a look at fantastic fossils and they were amazing".

In conclusion, we would like to go there with our families.

Report by Alice and Annabel

### Job opportunity

We are looking for a lunchtime supervisor to start with us in September, working five days a week from 11.30am until 1pm in term time—could this be you or do you know anyone who would like this role? Please email the school office if you would like further information about the post.

### Playhouses—Plea for resources

Our playhouses are due a makeover and the school council have been asking the children in their classes to decide what the themes are to be next year. We haven't decided yet, but looking at the initial responses, there are a few items that we need that you may have at home and no longer want!

Have you got any of the following that you would like to donate to school;

Toy till and toy money

Outdoor/waterproof/washable cushions—varying sizes

Waterproof seat beanbag

Play easel/magnetic letters

Plastic plates and cutlery

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### STAR OF THE WEEK AWARD

**WRENS— MAISIE-ELLA**

**ROBINS 1— KATIE**

**ROBINS 2— BETHANY**

**OWLS 3— PETAL**

**OWLS 4— MALVERN**

### ATTENDANCE

**WRENS— 93%**

**ROBINS 1— 93%**

**ROBINS 2— 99%**

**OWLS 3— 95%**

**OWLS 4— 90%**

### HOUSE POINTS:

**AVON: 38**

**TEME : 47**

**SEVERN: 36**