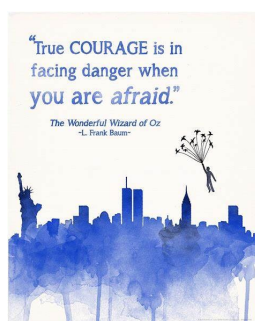




DODFORD FIRST SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

Achieve, Believe, Create and Fly High

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



Christmas Countdown

A letter was sent via email on Wednesday about the Christmas countdown and all the events taking place in school. Please take the time to read it and mark up your calendars as Christmas is a very busy time in school. Please remember that all costumes need to be in school by next Thursday, 1st December. Don't forget to order your production tickets, the allocation is 2 for the morning and 2 for the afternoon performance per family. Extras will be given out where possible.



Christmas production—plea from the teachers!

We only have just over one week until the Christmas production and we still have lots to do! Can we please ask that any parents of children who have lines to learn, help their child this weekend to learn and polish their delivery of their lines. We will keep reminding them in school too, **PLEASE LEARN YOUR LINES!**

Road Safety Week—21st to 25th November

The children have been engaging in assemblies and class activities about road safety this week. This time of year poses extra dangers due to the dark evenings and poor weather, so we have been reminding them of wearing reflective clothing, using the Green Cross Code and wearing helmets on bikes.

Friends of Dodford PTA

A quick reminder that raffle tickets need to be in by next Friday, 2nd December. We have spare raffle tickets in school if you can sell anymore. Thank you for your hamper donations, the raffled hampers will look great again this year thanks to your generosity!

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CLUBS

**MONDAY 3.15—4.15 —
DANCE**

THURSDAY 3.15—4.15

MULTI SPORTS

FRIDAY 3.15—4.15

FOOTBALL

COMING SOON!

FRI 25TH NOV—HAMPER DONA-
TIONS LAST DAY

FRI 25TH NOV—FEEL GOOD
FRIDAY

FRI 25TH NOV—WRENS STAY
AND PLAY 1.30PM—3.00PM

TUES 6TH DEC—XMAS PRODUC-
TION DAY, 11.30AM & 2PM

MON 12TH DEC—PANTO VISIT

WED 14TH DEC—XMAS LUNCH

WED 14TH DEC—CAROL SER-
VICE, 2.45PM

THU 15TH DEC—XMAS PARTY
DAY, DPA XMAS CRAFT FAIR

FRI 16TH DEC—FEEL GOOD
FRIDAY, XMAS JUMPER DAY,
ACHIEVEMENT ASSEMBLY





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Christmas Post Box

The school post box will be out from Monday 5th December. Please remind your children that all cards should be posted in the box and not given out in class or breaktimes. Please put the child's name and class on each envelope to help our Year 4 posties get the cards to the right people!

Christmas Production Programme Design Competition

The deadline for designs to be back in school is **Wednesday 30th November**. The programme must contain the following,

Production Title—**Lights, Camel, Action!**

Date—**Tuesday 6th December**

Venue—**Dodford Village Hall**

They don't need to put on the times, we will put those on the winning designs. Drawings should be clear and colourful, ideally in felt tip and writing in black or outlined. This is so that they photocopy well.

Phonics and Reading Meeting

Thank you to everyone who attended the meeting on Wednesday. Everyone should have now received a pack with the information that was delivered at the session. Thank you to Miss Underhill and Miss Stanley for putting together such an informative session and for creating all the packs for the Reception and Year 1 parents.

Parent Questionnaire Feedback

Please find attached the information gathered by the parent questionnaires returned. I hope you find the document informative. This is a summary report but if anyone wants any direct feedback on an issue raised I'm more than happy to meet with you. Please get in touch via the school office email address, office@dodford.worcs.sch.uk

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STAR AWARD

WRENS— TOMMY

ROBINS 1— EMILIE

ROBINS 2— MEADOW

OWLS 3— JOSEPH

OWLS 4— FREYA

ATTENDANCE

WRENS— 100%

ROBINS 1—91.7%

ROBINS 2—99.1%

OWLS 3—95%

OWLS 4—93.3%

WELL DONE WRENS!

HOUSE POINTS:

AVON: 64

TEME : 60

SEVERN: 75



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Rags to Riches

Thank you to everyone who brought in their bags of unwanted clothing for the charity fundraiser. We are pleased to announce that we received 60 bags, totalling a weight of 259.6kg, raising £103.84 for the school! A big thanks must also go to the Parents Association for organising this event to raise funds for school.



Older members of our Eco team!

• Operation Encompass

Please find attached, along with this newsletter, two parent information sheets about Operation Encompass. Operation Encompass is a national scheme that operates jointly between schools and all police forces, allowing schools to be informed of any domestic abuse cases they attend so that schools can support the child and family. Myself and Miss Underhill are the safeguarding leads within school and are always available if you would like to discuss any concerns you may have.

• Tik Tok Information for Parents

National Online Safety have this week released a new guide for parents about the social platform Tik Tok. It make for interesting but also worrying reading and is attached along with this newsletter as it may not be relevant for your child here, but something that you may want to discuss with older siblings.

Thank you to everyone who is working hard towards making this the best Christmas ever at Dodford. We have so much going on, but these enrichment activities are invaluable, as they are the ones that the children will remember for years to come. Have a lovely weekend,

Mrs Parkes