



## DODFORD FIRST SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

*Achieve, Believe, Create and Fly High*

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



### Easter Egg Competition Winners!

We had lots of egg-cellent entries again this year, which made the judging by Mrs Parkes and Mrs Eggleton very difficult indeed. Here are our winners and runners up from each year group.

#### Wrens

Winner—Edie Runner Up—Oliver M

#### Robins 1

Winner—Isabella Runner Up—Lochlan

#### Robins 2

Winner—Noah Runner Up—Zack

#### Owls 3

Winner—Imogen Runner Up—Bethany

#### Owls 4

Winner—Esmail Runner Up—Seren

### Wrens Stay and Play

Children, parents and staff all had a lovely time together in the classroom—reading, drawing, being crafty and sharing their hard work from this term.

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### CLUBS

**MULTI SPORTS—THURS  
3.15—4.15PM**

**FOOTBALL—FRI 3.15—  
4.15PM**

### COMING SOON!

FRI 31ST MARCH—SCHOOL  
CLOSES FOR EASTER BREAK

MONDAY 17TH APRIL—SCHOOL  
OPEN AT NORMAL TIME

DIARY DATES FOR THE SUMMER  
TERM HAVE ALREADY GONE  
HOME! IF YOU MISSED THESE,  
THEY ARE ON THE SCHOOL  
WEBSITE.





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### New additions—farewell!

Wrens class are saying farewell to the chicks as they go onto their new homes. It has been a magical time in Wrens over the last few weeks and I'm sure they will be missed!

### Diary Dates

One change has been made on the diary dates. The Malvern Meeting will now happen on May 16th and not the 9th May as previously stated.

### Gentle Reminders

- **Parking**—please can we remind you that the driveway and carpark are for school staff only. Using these areas is a serious health and safety issue, and we want to ensure the safety of all of our school community.
- **Snack time**—ideally all snacks should be fruit based, whether this be fresh fruit or items such as Yoyo bears. Breakfast bar style snacks can be eaten but not if they are covered in chocolate or made with items such as marshmallows. No chocolate bars, biscuits or crisps are allowed at break time. Thank you.
- **PE kits**—please ensure that your child brings their kit home tonight and returns their full kit on the first day back after the holiday.

### Mental Health and Wellbeing Focus—protecting your child when online

Do you know what your child is watching on their phone, tablet or laptop? Do you know who they may be talking to when playing online games? It is hard to ensure that we have done everything as a parent to protect our children. To help, I have copied in a link by the NSPCC which discusses these issues and gives you helpful tips to make sure that screen time content is always suitable.

[Keeping children safe online | NSPCC](#)

*Thank you to everyone who came along to our achievement assembly this morning. It is lovely to see so many of you there supporting the children and celebrating another busy term at Dodford. As we now head into the 'summer term', children can come into school in their summer uniform—however please be mindful of the weather and they will always need a coat each day unless we have a dry and sunny spell (fingers crossed). Have a lovely Easter break, have fun building memories and of course eating the odd Easter egg or two!*

Mrs Parkes

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### **STAR PUPIL AWARD**

**WRENS— RUFUS**

**ROBINS 1— REMY**

**ROBINS 2— ISLA-ROSE**

**OWLS 3— BETHANY**

**OWLS 4— ANNABEL**

### **ATTENDANCE**

**WE HAVE HAD A LOT OF  
ABSENCE DUE TO SOME  
NASTY BUGS GOING  
AROUND—BUT 33 OF OUR  
CHILDREN HAVE ATTEND-  
ED SCHOOL EVERY DAY  
THIS HALFTERM—WELL  
DONE!**

### **HOUSE POINTS:**

**AVON: 103**

**TEME : 84**

**SEVERN: 91**

Reading awards are attached as a separate document—well done to all of our dedicated readers!