



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

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We acknowledged the sad passing of Queen Elizabeth II in our school assembly today. Some of our children had questions which the class teachers have answered and during our British Values Day on Monday, we will spend some time further reflecting on this historic moment in British history.

**'We are thinking about the value 'RESILIENCE' this half term...**



**Welcome to...**

We have welcomed many new faces into the Dodford family this week. We have our new reception children in Wrens class that have been with us each morning this week and start fulltime next week. They are doing brilliantly and Miss Stanley has been very impressed by them all.

We have also welcomed Theo and Emilie into Robins class, along with some new staff members. Miss Burgess, started with us in July and she is working across the whole school, Mrs Marnell, our piano teacher is now a lunchtime supervisor too. Miss Christie is now supporting in Robins and at lunchtimes. We have Miss Laishley, supporting Miss Stanley whilst we are recruiting for a new TA and Mrs Warrender, who is working alongside Mrs Randall in the school office.

**CLUBS**

**MONDAY 3.15—4.15 —  
ART**

**THURSDAY 3.15—4.15**

**MULTI SPORTS**

**FRIDAY 3.15—4.15**

**FOOTBALL**

**COMING SOON!**

Mon 12th—British Values Day

Mon 12th—Wrens class in full time

All after school clubs start back this week

20th and 21st Sept—Meet the Teacher Sessions—see newsletter

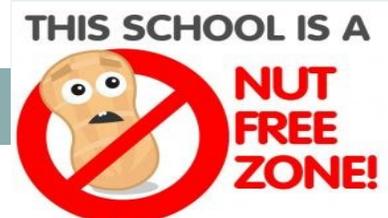
Diary dates for the term will be sent out next week.

**OUTDOOR DAYS**

**WRENS—MONDAY**

**ROBINS—FRIDAY**

**OWLS—PLANNED INTO CURRICULUM**





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### **After School Clubs**

Art, Multi sports and Football club all start next week and can be paid for via Parent Pay or by directly contacting the coaches. Children need a separate kit brought into school if they are taking part in a sports club.

### **PE Days**

Wrens—do not need a PE kit this half term, they will have PE lessons Tuesdays and Fridays.

Robins—Thursdays and Fridays

Owls—Tuesdays and Fridays

Children should leave their PE kits in school at all times and they will be sent home at the end of each half term to be washed, unless they get particularly dirty during a session.

### **Uniform reminders**

Please can we kindly remind you that, PE kits are either navy blue or burgundy as listed in our uniform list, pumps need to be kept in school. Trainers can be kept in school or brought in on PE days.

No long hair loose, hair should not be dyed and longer hair tied up on PE days. No nail varnish or false nails and jewellery is limited to a watch and stud earrings (which should preferably be taken out on PE days and left at home.

All children should have a school coat with them every day—the weather has shown this week how unpredictable it can be!

### **Lunches**

School dinners must be booked in advance, we are aware that the updates over the summer caused some errors this week, hopefully these are all now sorted. Any queries or changes in orders should go directly to the caterers [st.peters@classcatering.co.uk](mailto:st.peters@classcatering.co.uk). Lunch boxes from home should be 'healthy' and a small, snack size sugary snack can be included but please no giant cookies or full size chocolate bars and no nut items due to allergies, thank you.

### **Outdoor Days**

**Wrens** class (reception) should come to school in outdoor clothes every Monday for their Muddy Monday session. For this half term only, can children in **Robins** class come to school in outdoor clothes each Friday. Remember these clothes should be old and long sleeves . Aand full length trousers. All children need wellies for planned outdoor activities, which change on a weekly basis.



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**Year 3 and 4 (Owls Class)**

Please can we remind you that children in Owls need to bring in a snack for break time as the fruit delivered to school is for the children in Reception, Year 1 and Year 2. The snack must be healthy, such as fruit or a grain bar (no nut products).

**Friends of Dodford Fundraiser**

Your child should have come home with a flyer for a fundraising event being held by the Parent's Association at the end of September. There is one flyer and form per family, please let us know if you don't receive one.

**Advance warning!**

Our annual **Meet the Teacher** sessions are happening the week beginning 19th September. Times are as follows,

**Wrens**— Tuesday 20th 3.30pm—4.00pm

**Robins**— Wednesday 21st 3.30pm—4.00pm

**Owls**—Tuesday 20th 4.00pm—4.30pm

These meetings will give you an insight into class routines and expectations and other useful information to work with the school to support your child in their learning.

We look forward to working closely with you all this year and having plenty of opportunities to come together as a whole school community. Please remember that if you have any questions or concerns, these can be passed on via myself or Mrs Eggleton at the start of the day or can be sent in FAO of the class teacher to the school office email address and the class teacher will organise a time to meet with you.

Wishing you all a lovely weekend,

Mrs Parkes