

DODFORD FIRST SCHOOL

NEWSLETTER

WEEK ENDING 23RD MARCH 2018



Consultation – Possible expansion of Dodford First School

For your information, after a period of consultation, Worcestershire County Council have decided not to expand the school at this time.

PA Family Disco

A huge thank you from all of us for supporting Saturday night's Family Disco. An amazing £680 was raised! For your information, the next PA meeting will take place on Wednesday 28th March at the New Inn, Bournheath at 8pm – time to start thinking about the Fete!

Sports Trophies

May we kindly ask that children who currently have one of our sports trophies return them to school on Monday. Many thanks.

Lunch Choices Sheets

A reminder that we must have lunch choices sheets back in school as soon as possible. Monday 9th April is the cut off point for ordering lunches for week commencing 16th April, so if we have not heard from you by the 9th we will not be able to order meals for your child for the first week back and you will need to send in a packed lunch each day. The form and latest menu can be found on the school website.

Sport Relief Week

The children have had an interesting week trying out various different sporting activities, culminating in our fundraising day today in aid of Sport Relief. The children looked great in a wide variety of sporting outfits and any outstanding £1 coins can be sent in on Monday morning. Well done also to Year 3 and 4 who took part in a tag rugby tournament this morning.

Achievement Assembly – Thursday 29th March

You are all very welcome to join us for our Achievement Assembly on Thursday 29th March at 9am in the school hall.

Clubs Information

Our clubs will be running as follows:-

Drama Club – Mondays at 3.15pm – continuing until Monday 21st May

Basketball Club – Tuesdays at 3.15pm – new club for Y2, 3 and 4 (letter sent home this week)

French – Wednesday lunchtimes – finishes 21st March

Mini Sports – Wednesdays at 3.15pm – finishes 28th March

French – Thursdays at 3.30pm – finishes 22nd March

Creation Station – Thursdays at 3.15pm - continuing until 24th May

Football – Fridays at 3.15pm – finishes 23rd March

All of the above clubs will start up again in the first week back after the Easter holidays.

Spring Activity Afternoon – Thursday 29th March

The whole school will be taking part in an afternoon of Spring crafts. The children will be moving around three activities led by the teachers. Please ensure that they have an old shirt or apron with them on the day to protect their school uniform.

Easter Egg Competition – Tuesday 27th March

We will also be running our annual Easter Egg competition to bring in a hard boiled egg or eggs dressed up as a character – cartoon, film, T.V., popstar, animal. The choice is theirs! We've included a few ideas below. We will be picking a winner and runner-up in each year group.

All we ask is that they are labelled with their name and carefully transported into school on the **TUESDAY** morning into the **HALL** (the hall side door will be open), as we don't want any Humpty Dumpty moments and upset children! Please can we ask that the majority of the work is the **child's** and you help them achieve their idea, as this will be one of the things we look for when judging the designs. **Please note change of day and location for eggs!**



Library Dates

The children will be able to change their library books on the following final date for this term:-
Wednesday 28th March

Diary Dates

Please find attached a diary dates list for next half term.

Meningitis Flyer

Please find attached a flyer we have recently received which we thought might be useful to keep at home.

Sports Clubs

Please let us know if you think your child might be interested in joining one of our after school sports clubs such as Mini Sports, football or one of our Tuesday clubs which have included yoga and dodgeball. Even if a space isn't available at the time, we can always put your child's name on a waiting list. We also have useful links with a number of sporting clubs so if your child has an interest in a particular sport, we may well be able to find a contact name for you.



Reading

Please remember to read with your child on at least 3 occasions a week as it is a vital part of their education. Discussing books and being asked questions about the plot, characters etc will help improve their reading comprehension skills. It is also an enjoyable way to relax before bedtime.

A reminder that we break up for the Easter holidays on Thursday 29th March and the children return to school on Monday 16th April. It has been a very short but extremely busy term. As always, thank you for your continued support and hard work, helping us to give the children a wide, varied and exciting curriculum and build lots of school memories. Wishing you all a lovely break and we will look forward to seeing you all again on Monday 16th April.

Lisa Parkes