



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

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



**CLUBS**

**THURSDAY 3.15—4.15**

**SPORTS FROM AROUND THE WORLD**

**FRIDAY 3.15—4.15**

**FOOTBALL CLUB**

**COMING SOON!**

8th April—Teacher Education Day—school closed to children

25th April—Children return to school at normal time

25th April—BRITISH VALUES DAY

25th April—George and Dragon Workshop

26th April—Dog's Trust workshops

27th April—Robins Great Fire of London presentations in the hall— Year 1—2.00—2.30pm

Year 2—2.30—3.00pm

29th April—Feel Good Friday

2nd May—May Bank Holiday (school closed)

3rd May—Arts Week

**Easter Egg Competition Winners**

The competition entries were all amazing and we thank everyone who chose to take part and make mine and Mrs Eggleton's job of choosing the winners and runners up such a difficult one!

	Winner	Runner-up
<b>Wrens</b>	Henry	Meila
<b>Robins 1</b>	Sophia	Meadow
<b>Robins 2</b>	Nieva	Bethany
<b>Owls 3</b>	Esmail	Luke
<b>Owls 4</b>	Ella	Isla



**Easter Craft Afternoon**

The children had great fun this afternoon creating Easter crafts in a carousel of activities—hopefully they will all arrive home in one piece! Thank you to the Parent's Association for funding this lovely end to the half term and thank you to Ms Sanderson for her help today (and for all the help she has given to Wrens class over the past half term!)





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**Wednesday 27th April—  
Robins Parents Event**

The children in Robins Class have really enjoyed their recent history topic—The Great Fire of London. They would like to share some of their work with their parents. Due to COVID protective measures, we would like to invite Year 1 Robins parents in at 2.00pm until 2.30pm and Year 2 Robins parents in at 2.30pm until 3.00pm. We hope you can join us! We are asking the children to dress up—separate details will be issued to Robins parents.

**Achievement Assembly**

We celebrated this morning those children who had been awarded certificates for displaying the values of respect and diversity, Headteacher's awards, sporting awards, writer of the month awards and artist of the month awards. Children with 100% attendance for this half term have also been given certificates—quite an achievement after another challenging half term!

**Owls Class STEM Enterprise Project**

Owl Class had a wonderful time selling their yoghurt drinks this week, as part of their business enterprise challenge. The children worked in business groups to make and sell their yogurt drinks to the school community. Afterwards they had to work out their profit margins from their enterprise and we are please to announce that they made a profit (unlike some of Lord Sugar's apprentices!)

We have yet to decide what to do with their profit. But the children have some fantastical ideas!

**Artists of the Term**



Wrens—Henry



Robins 1—Mia



Robins 2—Joseph



Owls 3—Freya



Owls 4—Edie

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**HEADTEACHER'S AWARD**

**WRENS— EDDIE**

**ROBINS 1— SOPHIA**

**ROBINS 2— KAALIYAH**

**OWLS 3— LUKE**

**OWLS 4— FREYA**

**ATTENDANCE**

**WRENS— 94.3%**

**ROBINS 1— 100%**

**ROBINS 2— 98.1%**

**OWLS 3— 97.4%**

**OWLS 4— 90.4%**

**XX CHILDREN ACHIEVED  
100% ATTENDANCE THIS  
HALF TERM—WELL DONE!**

**HOUSE POINTS:**

**AVON: 91**

**TEME : 78**

**SEVERN: 80**

As this half term's winners—Extra playtime for Severn at the start of the next half term!



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### **COVID Letter**

All families should have received a letter today outlining the changes to our COVID protective measures now in place in school and advice on what the government guidelines are now. We have highlighted key points in how you can support us in keeping the Dodford school community as safe and healthy as possible.

Any queries, please direct these into school via the office@ email address.

### **Staffing Update**

Miss Harrison has continued to teach and support classes across the school, in particular Owls class, and she will be remaining with us after the Easter holiday. Mrs Eggleton has moved to a four day week and Miss Harrison will continue to cover the fifth day. Miss Christie has been supporting in Wrens class during Mrs Sharples absences and also whilst Mrs Blacktop has been unwell. We hope to see Mrs Blacktop return in the early part of next term. Mrs Wing has taken up a new post at another school and Mrs Cairns has been supporting Mrs Randall in the school office, this will continue after the holiday.

### **Lunch Orders**

Please do not forget to order your child's lunches during the Easter break, ready for the first week back.

### **Malvern Residential Information Evening**

Year 4 parents please put Tuesday 17th May at 6pm in your diaries as we plan to hold a meeting about the upcoming residential visit.

### **Finally...**

We have had a busy and challenging half term but also a half term which has given us much to celebrate. We would like to thank you all for your support over the past couple of years and we look forward to an exciting and industrious term ahead. Whilst we all hope you have a lovely Easter break with your families and the Easter bunny brings lots of lovely chocolatey treats for you all to enjoy, please don't forget to keep reading with your children and encouraging them to practise their phonics, numbers and times tables too!

Have a lovely Easter,

From all the staff at Dodford

