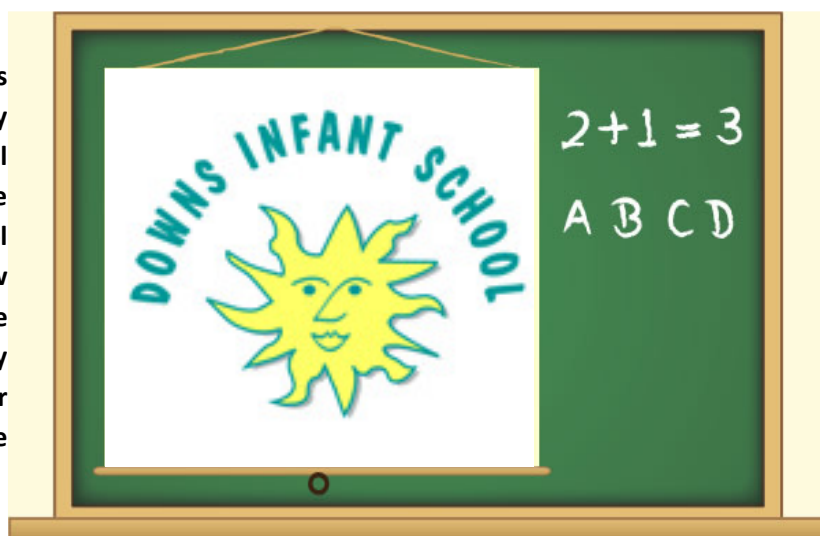


Downs Infant School Newsletter

January 29th 2018

I am writing this just after our E-safety workshops which were held for children and parents today. Many thanks to Mr Scott, who kindly donated his professional expertise. If you were not able to come we will be making the presentation available on the school website as soon as possible. Please also take a few minutes to answer the questions on our survey so we can plan how to take this work forward. The key messages I took away were: spend time with your children online and have strong passwords – but there is more for us all to learn!

Dr Mitchell



Learning Round Up

This week a doctor and a fire-fighter came to visit Reception as the children continued learning about vehicles and about the people who drive them and people who help us. Look out for details of their very exciting trip soon!

Year 2 have learned about adventure stories and used story-mapping to look at the structure of stories.

Year 1 have been doing some fantastic art using the work of Van Gogh for inspiration. They have been painting wallpaper and drawing self-portraits of themselves.

Don't forget we are on twitter @DownsInfants

INSETs for next year (2018-19) (agreed with Downs Juniors):

Monday 3 September 2018

Tuesday 4th September 2018

Monday 8th April 2019

Tuesday 9th April 2019

Monday 3rd June 2019

Holiday dates for 2018-19 are on the Brighton and Hove website: <https://www.brighton-hove.gov.uk/content/children-and-education/schools/school-term-and-holiday-dates>

Dates for your diary

(New/changed dates in red)

- 29 Jan Otters trip to Preston Manor
- 29 January E-safety talk for parents 2.30 in hall
- 31 Jan Squirrels trip to Preston Manor
- 1 Feb Hedgehogs trip to Preston Manor
- 2 Feb Badgers trip to Preston Manor
- 7 February Year 1 Victorian Day (Please speak to teachers if any questions)
- Monday 12 – Friday 16th February, Half Term
- 6 and 7 March Year 2 trips to Lewes Castle
- Parents Evenings 12 and 14th March
- Lets Dance at the Dome 19 March
- 27 March CD recording – info to follow
- 30 March to 11 April – Easter Holiday, INSET 12 April (School closed to children)

Values Learning

We looked at being responsible for your own learning and your own goals this week in assembly. Some children from year 1 and year 2 shared how they have made progress towards their goals.

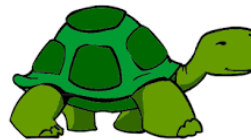
The School Council told us more about Wonder and Boggle, our learning heroes.

For more information about all our values go to <http://downsinf.schooljotter2.com/>

E-Safety

Please take some time to answer the questions on our survey (whether you were able to attend or not)

<https://goo.gl/forms/rzzlMEGVa1u2qCRA2>



This Week's Bench of Brilliance

Dolphin: Oliver and Georgia

Badger: Chloe and Faith

Turtle: Mimi and Heath

Hedgehog: Levi and Poppy

Starfish: Celeste and Tom

Owl: Adam and Miracle

Otter: Kayden and Eva

Kingfisher: Jamie and Wilby

Squirrel: Elliot and Harvey

Puffin: Esme and Hamish

