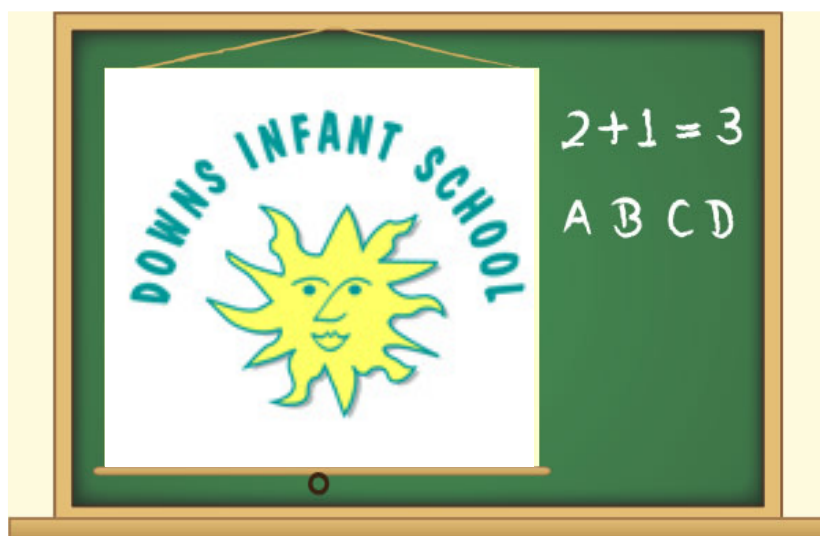


# Downs Infant School Newsletter

13<sup>th</sup> April 2018

I hope you have all had a relaxing Easter break. The Friday return felt a little odd, and we have already arranged our INSET for next year so that you will have 2 complete weeks. We post the term dates on the website so please do check this before booking any holidays, and if in doubt, you can always contact us just to be sure. We also now have a new way to report illness: Study Bugs – please see the next page.

Dr Mitchell



## Learning Round Up

The final week of last term was full of beginnings and endings. Reception found evidence of a giant and did some super sleuthing to find out where he might have come from – they will be growing their own beanstalks!

Year 2's instructions for how to trap a dragon were amazing. There should be no need for any of us to fear loose dragons now! They worked hard on thinking about the audience and how instructions are framed to suit the purpose.

Year 1's dinosaur gardens grew and were a wonder to behold. They have demonstrated a good understanding of what different living things need to be healthy and grow.



## Dates for your diary

(New/changed dates in red)

- Wed 18<sup>th</sup> April – Class photos
- Tuesday 17<sup>th</sup> April – Children's Parade Workshop
- Friday 27<sup>th</sup> April – FODIS film night for children
- E-safety Talk 9th May 7-8pm **PLEASE NOTE CHANGE OF DATE**

Does your profession or hobby challenge gender stereotypes? Can you come in and share this experience with the children? Please come and see Mr Cave if you can help! Thank you for your continuing support.

Mr Cave.

We have a new, safer system for reporting your child's absence due to illness.

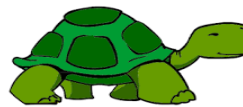
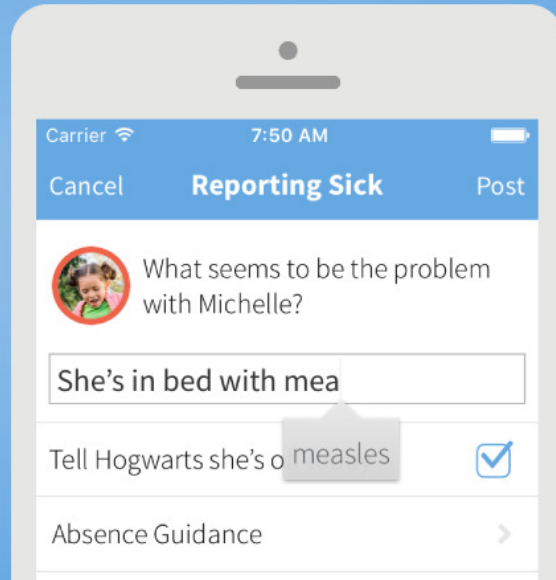
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### Bench of Brilliance

Dolphin: Charlotte, Hugo

Swallow: Josie, Woody

Turtle: Alice, Felix

Badger: Nina, Wilfrid

Starfish: Rory, Theo

Owl: Arnas, Poppy

Otter: Alfred, Charlotte

Kingfisher: Milani, Herbie

Squirrel: Logan, Ashley

Puffin: Amber, Dylan

Seahorse: Ariana, Elvie

Hedgehog: Alfie, Talyssa

