



# DILTON MARSH C OF E PRIMARY SCHOOL

## Newsletter 1 Term 1 - Friday 13th September 2019

A great start to the term with everyone settling into new routines very quickly. It has been lovely catching up with all the children. We are looking forward to the Reception children attending full time from Monday.

A huge thank you to everyone who has attended the 'Meet the Teacher' sessions; a great chance to find out about the expectations and routines in their new classes. The 'Meet the Headteacher' session was well attended and the feedback has been positive. I introduced our new school Vision and shared the school priorities for the next year as well as the positives from last year. I will share a copy of the Powerpoint on our school website under the 'News' tab; please contact me if you have any questions.

This year we are thrilled to introduce our new school Ambassadors. These are Year 6 children who have applied for leadership roles within the school. Roles include Caroline and Harry as Head Girl and Head Boy, Liberty and Immy as Sports Ambassadors, Toby, Grace C, Grace T, Sophia, Aurora, Theo, Riley and Archie as House Ambassadors and Zoe, Noah, Arthur K, Jessica, Arthur H, William, Stefano and Anna as Class Ambassadors. Well done to all the children who applied. We are looking forward to appointing more Ambassadors throughout the year, including Year 2 Junior Ambassadors.

As you will have noticed we have reduced our weekly newsletter – we hope this will make it more manageable to read! We will continue to advertise community events around the school and on the noticeboard at the front of the school. In addition, each month we will publish a 'Community Round Up' where local events will be advertised and emailed through e-schools. Please email the office with anything you would like included.

### Message from Max Burr, Executive Headteacher

Dear Parents/Carers,

It was wonderful to see so many of you at the parent meeting on Wednesday morning. At it, I talked about Acorn Education Trust's growth and its focus on the whole school curriculum. Its growth means that I now oversee two schools in Devizes. The focus on the curriculum involves, for the schools in this part of the Trust, working with Kingdown School. To that end I will stop being Executive Headteacher of Dilton. Stuart Porter, who oversees the Warminster group of Acorn schools, will be taking over and will bring his experience and drive to build on the work the school team has already started to develop.

This is a wonderful school. Truly. The teachers, teaching assistants and support staff, under Mrs Hibbs's direction, are truly special, dedicated people. I know the school will now flourish.

Yours  
Max Burr

### Important Admissions information

#### Will your child be transferring to Secondary School in September 2020?

You must apply for a Secondary School place by midnight 31st October 2019.

#### Will your child be starting Primary School in September 2020?

You must apply for a Primary School place by midnight 15th January 2020.

Apply online at [www.wiltshire.gov.uk](http://www.wiltshire.gov.uk)

## Achievements

Mia in Chestnut Class has passed her Stage 4 Swimming and completed the Summer Reading Challenge at Westbury Library. Well done Mia—a busy and successful summer!

Please email the school office on [admin@diltonmarsh.wilts.sch.uk](mailto:admin@diltonmarsh.wilts.sch.uk) if you would like us to share your child's achievements outside of school.



<b>Lime Class</b>	(Begins next week)
<b>Cherry Class</b>	Pierre
<b>Ash Class</b>	Lewis
<b>Willow Class</b>	Khloe
<b>Chestnut Class</b>	Laurie / Ellie B
<b>Beech Class</b>	Mia B / Albie
<b>Oak Class</b>	Bella

**Congratulations to our 'Shining Stars' this week.**



**Coming soon.....**

**Dilton's Maths Magicians**

## FODS

### **FODS AGM—Save the date!**

Monday 23rd September—7.30pm in the Prince of Wales pub, Dilton Marsh.

Please come along and join us over a social drink to plan events and fundraising opportunities for the forthcoming year to help raise funds for our school and children. All welcome.

Jo Lambert

## Contact details

Please keep the office informed of any changes to parents' and other emergency contact details for your child.

Come into the office or email at [admin@diltonmarsh.wilts.sch.uk](mailto:admin@diltonmarsh.wilts.sch.uk)

Thank you

## Parking and congestion around the school entrance

Please can I remind everyone to park sensibly around the school site during the start and end of the school day to ensure that parents walking with children and pushchairs can walk safely across the road and into the school.

Thank you for your co-operation with this.



### Treetops Breakfast Club

**Monday-Friday**

**7.30am—8.30am—£4 a session**

Booking forms are available on our website or from the school office

## Key dates for your diary

(Please note, some of these may change over the year)

TERMS 1 & 2		
Date	Yr Grps	
<b>September</b>		
16 <sup>th</sup>	All	Clubs start <b>with exception of Stay and Play</b>
23 <sup>rd</sup>	All Parents	7.30 - FODS meeting at Prince of Wales Everyone very welcome!
25 <sup>th</sup>	Y6	2.30 - Oak Sharing Assembly
27 <sup>th</sup>	All	Run the Mile for Julia's House, McMillan Coffee Morning
<b>October</b>		
2 <sup>nd</sup>	Y5	2.30 - Beech Sharing Assembly
9 <sup>th</sup>	All	2pm - Harvest Service @ Holy Trinity Church
11 <sup>th</sup>	KS2	8.30 - Classroom visits and coffee morning
14 <sup>th</sup>	Y3 & Y4 Y5 & Y6	After school Football Tournament at Kingdown School (Selected pupils only)
16 <sup>th</sup>	Y4	2.30 - Chestnut Sharing Assembly
21 <sup>st</sup>	All	Parents' Evening
22 <sup>nd</sup>	All	Parents' Evening
23 <sup>rd</sup>	All	<b>TD day – start of holidays</b>
SCHOOL HOLIDAYS		
<b>November</b>		
4 <sup>th</sup>	All	<b>TD Day – School closed to pupils</b>
5 <sup>th</sup>	All	School re-opens
7 <sup>th</sup>	Y5	Swimming starts
8 <sup>th</sup>	All	Remembrance Service
11 <sup>th</sup> – 15 <sup>th</sup>	All	Anti-Bullying Week
13 <sup>th</sup>	Y3	2.30 - Willow Sharing Assembly
15 <sup>th</sup>	All	Children in Need day
20 <sup>th</sup>	Y1	2.30 - Cherry Sharing Assembly
22 <sup>nd</sup>	KS1	8.30 - Classroom visits and coffee morning
27 <sup>th</sup>	Y2	2.30 - Ash Sharing Assembly
<b>December</b>		
5 <sup>th</sup>	YR	2.30 - Lime Sharing Assembly
9 <sup>th</sup>	Y5 & Y6	Netball Tournament at Kingdown School

13 <sup>th</sup>	EYFS, Y1 & Y2	PM - Nativity Performance
20 <sup>th</sup>	All	Christmas Service at Holy Trinity Church.
<b>School finishes at 12 midday</b>		
SCHOOL HOLIDAYS		
<b>TERMS 3 &amp; 4</b>		
<b>January</b>		
6 <sup>th</sup>	All	<b>School re-opens</b>
16 <sup>th</sup>	Y4	Swimming Starts
17 <sup>th</sup>	KS2	8.30 - Classroom visits and coffee morning
22 <sup>nd</sup>	Y6	2.30 - Oak Sharing Assembly
29 <sup>th</sup>	Y5	2.30 - Beech Sharing Assembly
<b>February</b>		
3 <sup>rd</sup>		Tag Rugby Festival at Kingdown
5 <sup>th</sup>	Y4	2.30 - Chestnut Sharing Assembly
7 <sup>th</sup>	KS1	8.30 - Classroom visits and coffee morning
11 <sup>th</sup> – 13 <sup>th</sup>	Dance Club	Dance Festival – day to be confirmed
12 <sup>th</sup>	Y3	2.30 - Willow Sharing Assembly
14 <sup>th</sup>	All	<b>Last day of Term 3</b>
SCHOOL HOLIDAYS		
24 <sup>th</sup>	All	<b>School re-opens</b>
26 <sup>th</sup>	Y2	2.30 - Ash Sharing Assembly
27 <sup>th</sup>	Y3	Swimming Starts
<b>March</b>		
3 <sup>rd</sup> and 4 <sup>th</sup>	All	Parents' Evenings
11 <sup>th</sup>	Y1	2.30 - Cherry Sharing Assembly
13 <sup>th</sup>	All	Sports Relief Day
18 <sup>th</sup>	YR	2.30 - Lime Sharing Assembly
23 <sup>rd</sup>	KS2	Athletics Festival at Kingdown
<b>April</b>		
3 <sup>rd</sup>	All	Easter Service at Holy Trinity Church
<b>School finishes at midday</b>		
SCHOOL HOLIDAYS		

## Key dates for your diary

(Please note, some of these may change over the year)

TERMS 5 & 6		
<b>April</b>		
20 <sup>th</sup>	All	School re-opens
29 <sup>th</sup>	Y5	2.30 - Beech Sharing Assembly
<b>May</b>		
4 <sup>th</sup> – 7 <sup>th</sup>	All	VE Day 75 <sup>th</sup> Anniversary Celebrations
6 <sup>th</sup>	Y4	2.30 - Chestnut Sharing Assembly
8 <sup>th</sup>	All	BANK HOLIDAY – <b>School Closed</b>
11 <sup>th</sup> – 14 <sup>th</sup>	Y6	SATs Week
13 <sup>th</sup>	Y3	2.30 - Willow Sharing Assembly
18 <sup>th</sup> – 22 <sup>nd</sup>	Y6	Residential trip to Tile Barn
19 <sup>th</sup>	KS1	Multi-skills festival at Kingdown
20 <sup>th</sup>	Y2	2.30 - Ash Sharing Assembly
22 <sup>nd</sup>	All	End of Term
<b>SCHOOL HOLIDAYS – May 23<sup>rd</sup> – May 31<sup>st</sup></b>		
<b>June</b>		
1 <sup>st</sup>	All	School re-opens
8 <sup>th</sup> – 12 <sup>th</sup>	Y1 and selected Y2	Phonics Screening Check
10 <sup>th</sup>	Y6	2.30 - Oak Sharing Assembly
17 <sup>th</sup>	Y1	2.30 - Cherry Sharing Assembly
24 <sup>th</sup>	YR	2.30 - Lime Sharing Assembly
24 <sup>th</sup> /25 <sup>th</sup>	Y6	Matravers Taster Days
24 <sup>th</sup> /25 <sup>th</sup>	KS1	KS1 Dance Festival – day to be confirmed
29 <sup>th</sup> /30 <sup>th</sup> /1 <sup>st</sup>	Y6	Kingdown, Warminster Taster Days
<b>July</b>		
10 <sup>th</sup>	All	End of Year Reports Out
15 <sup>th</sup>	Y6	Production – afternoon and evening performances
17 <sup>th</sup>	Y6	Westbury Schools Leavers Service
20 <sup>th</sup>	Y5 & Y6	Multi-sports Day at Kingdown
21 <sup>st</sup>	Y6 and rest of school	9.15 am – Leavers' Service
<b>School finishes at 12 midday</b>		
<b>SCHOOL HOLIDAYS</b>		