



# Sampford Peverell C of E Primary School

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## Dates for your diary:

14 February  
Non pupil day

17-21 February  
Half term

25-27 February  
Y5 London residential

3 March  
David Jones-Author showcase

5 March  
World book day/David Jones  
book signing

## Stars of the Week

Drake: Lawrence  
Lewis: Bella  
Seacole: Bethany  
Darwin: Lexi

## Learning Powers - Golden Leaves

Drake: Emma & Immie  
Lewis: Kate  
Seacole: Drew  
Darwin: Clara

## Stars of last week

Drake: Isabella  
Lewis: Harrison  
Seacole: Zoe  
Darwin/First steps: Freddie

## Golden Leaves

Drake: Leona & Billie  
Lewis: Maddox  
Seacole: James F  
Darwin/First steps: Millie



### Message from Sarah Price

I would like to give a very warm welcome to Mr Stewart Leaman who has joined us as the Lead Practitioner in First Steps. He is a very experience early years practitioner and is a real asset to our team.

The end of term is fast approaching and please remember that our last day is Thursday 13 Feb as Friday is a non-pupil day. The children have worked super hard this term and are getting ready for a well earned rest!

### First Steps

Hello everybody from First Steps, I would firstly like to say a big thankyou to all the children and families who have made me feel so welcome at Sampford Peverell. It's been a lovely start for me. We have had a very busy time creating and extending our mathematics and literacy play/learning areas. We have been exploring measuring with bricks and blocks and using them to construct and build structures and models.

We extended our mark making and writing stations with notebooks, diaries and chalk boards and we made lists for ingredients and some children were being teachers and taking the register.

We continued with our dinosaur theme and created models with clay which we will continue with next week. Finally, we are starting our "MUSIC and MOVEMENT" sessions in the hall from next week.



### Reception

Dinosaurs have invaded Darwin Class! The children have thrown themselves into our new topic and learning all about our extinct friends. The role play area has been full of roars and stamping feet, and we have been getting creative with handprint dinosaurs, dinosaur footprints and even some dinosaur still life sketching. The sunny days have given us plenty of time to get outside and some children are determined to dig right down into the gravel pit to find dinosaur bones!



### Years 1 and 2:

This half term we are learning about the first flight. Over the last couple of weeks we have researched the history of inventors that built the first plane. This week, we have discovered how planes fly and have been experimenting on how to make the best paper aeroplane. Next, We designed our own planes and have been building them ready to see how far they can fly!



### Years 3 and 4:

In Lewis Class, we have begun learning our new fiction text - Leon and the Place Between. This is a magical and mysterious story that has inspired lots of interesting discussions all week! The question is... Do you believe?



### Years 5 and 6:

Over the past two weeks Drake class have been focusing on the 'Properties of Materials' as their science topic. During this time, they have investigated: the different types of materials we have in the world; which solids dissolve in water; which materials are good insulators or heat; separating materials through filtering, sieving and evaporating; and also reversible and irreversible change. The children also learnt about predicting, fair testing and how to write a scientific conclusion.

In maths, they have been doing some brilliant work on the links between fractions, decimals and percentages and in English our focus has switched onto writing a ghost story – using 'Art' by Tony Ross as our source material.



CONGRATULATIONS  
TO  
DINHAM HOUSE!



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