

Downs Infant School Newsletter

Week ending 15th February 2019 – Rounding up the first Spring Half Term!



Reception

Reception are about to start their new topic on Space! During the holidays, aliens visited the school and left lots of clues about who they are and where they came from.

They have really enjoyed getting to play with the new balance bikes, as well as some new PE equipment to help their balance.

Year 1

Year 1 have finished their dinosaur fact files, and will be coming in to a 'Stunning Start' with AI Start to kick start their topic on the 'Big Wide World', where they will be getting to know traditional tales from around the world. AI will be presenting in her own unique musical style to introduce them to the Three Little Pigs.

Year 2

Year 2's amazing dragon adventures have finished but they will continue their work on China during the first part of the next half term, learning about countries outside Europe and developing their understanding of art styles from around the world.

They are continuing to work on fractions and have been finding fractions of a number, and linking this to division and multiplication.

Dates for your diary:

(New/changed dates will be in red)

- Friday 1st March FODIS Quiz Night
- Year 2 Trip to Lewes: Tues 5th March Puffin/Kingfisher; Wed 6th March Swallow/Owl
- Wednesday 13 March *Let's Dance* at the Dome
- Friday 15th March Year 1 Bike Day
- Monday 8 April to Monday 22 April Easter Vacation
- Tuesday 23 April Class Photos

Parents Evening Dates

Tuesday March 26th 3.30-5.20 and Wednesday 27th March 3.30-6.50

INSET dates for next year:

Wed 4th September 2019
Thursday 5th September 2019

Monday 4th November 2019
Monday 6th January 2020
Friday 22nd May 2020

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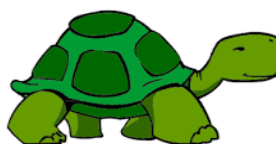
FRIDAY 1ST MARCH
4.6.30PM
IN ST MATTHIAS CHURCH

DJ, LICENSED BAR
HOT DOG STAND (INC VG) + SNACKS

£5 PER FAMILY
PAY ON DOOR
ALL AGES WELCOME

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Everyone at school hopes you all had a good half-term break! Mr Button has been really busy building our new library – opening soon!



Bench of Brilliance!

These children have been recognised for their achievements in school

Squirrels: Hugo and Evie

Badgers: Jasmine and Charlotte

Fox: Kaya and Ellie

Hedgehogs: Kaspar, Maya, Heath, Rory

Dolphins: Uma and Guy

Starfish: Indi and Alana

Seahorse: James and Lola

Turtles: Isla and Isabel

Puffins: Ramona and Rosie

Kingfishers: Logan and Jessi

Owls: Charlotte and Ti'ana

Swallows: Charlotte and Alfie B



Brownies

Do you have girls age 7-10? If you are thinking of starting Brownies, there is a Tuesday unit who meet at the United Reform Christian Centre (near Aldi). They have weekly activities on team-building, leadership, fun, creativity and helping others. They have spaces at present and the cost of each meeting is £3. You can register via <https://www.girlguiding.org.uk/information-for-parents/register-your-daughter/>

Health and Safety Spot!

Please supervise your children after school. We have expectations about how they use the playground during the day which include not climbing over railings or up walls and we need your support to ensure that they comply with these expectations after school as well. This is for their own safety. Please do not be offended if school staff intervene – but also be aware that school staff cannot be responsible for supervision at this time.

Book Swap!

Please bring in any pre-loved good quality books for our book swap for World Book Day. There will be boxes in the reception area, or give to your child's teacher. Don't forget if you have Junior children, our year 2's would welcome some more challenging reads!



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