

## The Dasset News - 27th March 2026

**This Week:-** Leaves have been awarded to the following children. The certificates were given out in our Easter Service yesterday. Well done all of you.



| Hedgehogs<br>(Reception) | Squirrels<br>(Year 1/2) | Bears<br>(Year 3/4) | Badgers<br>(Year 5/6) |
|--------------------------|-------------------------|---------------------|-----------------------|
| Theo                     | Reuben                  | Fin                 | Diesel                |
| Roman                    | Feofania                | Thomas              | Alex                  |



**Reception**— This term has flown by! It may have only been a short half term but the children have packed in a lot of learning! We finished our Jigsaw Topic 'Healthy Me' topic by revisiting hand hygiene and how to wash your hands properly – important this week as we have been preparing food! We have had a mix of healthy and less healthy foods. Several of the children discovered new fruit they like when they made a fruit salad. Initially lots of children were not keen as they thought it would be lots of lettuce leaves! There were deft chopping skills shown as they prepared carrots to go with the houmous they made and they all loved their less healthy chocolate Easter nests! RE day was a whirl of events, the rendition of Spring Chicken a definite highlight. Mrs Proudfoot made her EYFS directorial debut as she co-ordinated the performance of Jesus' ride into Jerusalem for a retelling of the Palm Sunday story. The children have thoroughly enjoyed the Dangerous Dinosaurs topic, their knowledge of the non-fiction genre has grown with the amazing books lots of the children have brought in to share. It has been a great topic to explore ways to measure items from the length of dinosaurs to footprints, in different ways. The children have all worked so hard this term, I am very proud of them all! I hope you all have a lovely Easter Break.



**Year 1/2**— Our last week before the Easter holidays has been, as ever, wonderfully busy! In English we have spent the week exploring poetry. We have enjoyed learning the poem 'If I had a beak', identifying its features and joining in with repeated phrases. We designed our own imaginary beak, created a word bank of descriptive words and then added our own verse to the poem. We also had a go at reading our own verses out loud. In Maths, we have been exploring tally charts, bar graphs and pictograms and have been practising reading, interpreting and recording data. In Science we have been looking at weather forecasts, working in groups to plan and prepare our own forecasts based on weather symbols and information given to us. A real highlight was a visit from Molly's lambs! We loved being able to get up close and give them a pat! We have also enjoyed practising and performing in the Easter service and having a mini Easter egg hunt around the school grounds to finish the week off! Today we ordered the a story of Holy Week in RE and did some Easter maths. Wishing you all a wonderful Easter.



**Year 3/4**– Rudyard Kipling's 'A River's Tale' and Ogden Nash's 'Fossil' (with the accompanying Saint-Saens Carnival Des Animaux music) have been our poems under study this week, witnessing us analyse and experiment with our own inspired poetic prose. In addition to our Mastery times tables work, our maths has had us learning how to calculate fractions of an amount (unit and non-unit fractions) together with further reasoning work. Our work in geography about the River Wye looked at features through the length of its course. PSHE concluded our Healthy Me unit, recapping all that goes into keeping us healthy (nutrition, exercises, safe behaviour choices in both the real and online realm; and how to ask for help if needed). With this being Easter week in school, RE saw us prepare our assembly in which we, as a class, lead the readings for the service. We also completed our work on our unit enquiring 'What is God?' with a look at the points of view of non-believers and the arguments for and against the existence of God; children then considered their own worldview/beliefs. In French we learnt how to say they/he/she is wearing and put this in sentences with all the vocabulary we have learnt this topic. Computing was pulling together all the skills we have learnt in coding this half term to design, build and debug our own program.



**Year 5/6** - A great final week in year 5/6 before the Easter holidays. We've been working on percentages in maths and in English we have been building up to writing trip advisor reviews about an awful hotel! In Science we planned and carried out our own investigation into bulb brightness. Some chose to change the number of cells in the circuit, others the wire length or number of bulbs. In PSHE we talked about what to do in an emergency and learnt some basic first aid - we practiced the recovery position and talked about when to use it. We also finished our code for a traffic light sequence. Reading lessons have been focusing on bringing all our different skills together and in mastering number the Year 5s have been focusing on identifying multiples of 4. Our Easter service was lovely and it was great to see all the different Easter crafts that had been brought in for the Friends' competition. Have a lovely Easter holiday and see you next half term.

## **Easter Craft Competition**

Thank you to all those who entered the craft competition. It was a difficult competition to judge so thank you Mrs Page for doing this. Well done to all of the children who took part in the competition. We had sculptures, pictures, hats and models., pupils clearly put in a great deal of effort. We always appreciate it when children take part so thank you to all.



## **Educaterers—reminder about price increase**

Our lunchtime suppliers, Educaterers have advised us of a price increase starting from 1st April 2026. Unfortunately this will mean there will be an increase of 16p per day per meal making a school lunch £2.91 a day. Children eligible for Free School Meals and those children in Reception, Year 1 and Year 2 who have Universal Free School Meals will not be effected.

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## Easter Service

We had a great Easter Service on Thursday. Thank you to year 3 and 4 for doing the readings. The pupils did a great job. The singing was brilliant too. Well done everyone. It was lovely to see you all and thank you to Reverend Barry for joining us. We also welcomed some of our governors. It was a lovely way to round off the term.



## Visiting Musicians

We had a real treat in school today. One of our parents is a professional musician and she offered to come and share with the children, her musical talents and those of her colleagues. The string quartet entertained us just before home time today. The children were absolutely enthralled and they loved listening to music - old, new and Disney! Thank you to Miss Shakespeare and her fellow musicians.



## Coming Up next term

**Easter break Monday 30th March to Friday 10th April.**

**School reopens to pupils on Monday 13th April**

**Monday 13th April**—No celebration assembly

**Monday 13th April**—Solar Panel assembly

**Tuesday 14th April and Wednesday 15th April**—Parent Evening. You should have received your appointment time. If not please contact your class teacher.

**Wednesday 15th April**—Class photographs—if you do not want your child to be included in the photograph please let your class teacher know.

**Meningitis information from School Aged Immunisation Service** Please see attached information from The School Aged Immunisation Team regarding the recent outbreak of this illness in Kent.

## **School Fund**



Please see attached information from My School Fund. This raises money for the school at no cost to yourself.

## **Parish Clerk & Responsible Financial Officer (RFO) Vacancy**

Fenny Compton Parish Council are looking for a new clerk. This is an interesting and varied role supporting your local community. The role is 32 hours per month, mostly home based, and therefore allows you to balance the work against other responsibilities. You don't need to have been a clerk before, as training is available, but experience of dealing with people and using a range of software packages are essential. For more information please contact the chair, Jon Dutton, on 07584 196520 or via email at [fcpc.chair@gmail.com](mailto:fcpc.chair@gmail.com).

## **Stratford District Children and Family Centres**

Message from Stratford District Children and Family Centres—Please find attached our Easter special timetable with our play sessions for families to participate in. We also continue to offer our Baby massage as well as our Baby & Toddler Chatter Matter courses (These can be booked by contacting the Centres directly).

We have some new sessions, Outdoor Messy Play and our monthly Saturday Family Time at our Lighthorne Heath C&FC. We are also running an After-school Activity club too at our Stratford C&FC with a variety of different themes including Crafts & Construction. Perfect for 4 – 8-year-olds.

## **Warwickshire Child and Family Wellbeing Service**

The Warwickshire School Health team, part of the Warwickshire Child and Family Wellbeing Service, has released the April edition of their School Health Newsletter ahead of the Easter break.

### **The April edition includes:**

- Advice for parents and carers to support their child through exam season.
- Practical SEND strategies for managing exam stress.
- Safe Sleep Guidance from the Warwickshire Health Visiting Team.
- Updates from the Healthy Futures team.

Upcoming Public Health campaigns and information on Warwickshire training

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*Have a lovely Easter Break everyone and we will see you back in school on Monday  
13th April—from Miss Conry and All at The Dasset*