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The Dasset News - 11th April 2025

This Week:- Leaves have been awarded to the following children. The certificates will be given out in assembly on Monday 28th April. Well done all of you.



Hedgehogs (Reception)	Squirrels (Year 1/2)	Bears (Year 3/4)	Badgers (Year 5/6)
Sebastian	Eve	William	Diesel
	Pops	Freddie	Alfie



Reception—In our final week learning about Dangerous Dinosaurs, we worked out how long a diplodocus was using meter rulers. We used a non-fiction book to find out they were about 26 meters long. We got 26 meter rulers and lay them down in a long, long line.



We found out a diplodocus was a very long dinosaur indeed, almost as long as the Key Stage 2 playground. In maths we have been on an Easter Egg hunt using a tens frame to collect paper Easter eggs and record how many we found, learning about our bonds to 10 with questions like 'How many more do you need to make 10?'. Our topic 'Why is the cross important to Christians?' culminated in our Easter Service on Thursday. The children very much enjoyed their time with Sue, our EYFS Governor, as she helped them to write a class prayer.

Thank you God for music, forests, the trim trail and eating potatoes.

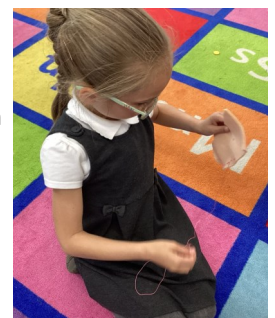
Sorry when we say and do the wrong thing.

Amen.

They gave a lovely performance of 'Spring Chicken' at the Easter service with Year 1 and 2. In phonics we have learned the new tricky words 'come', 'some', 'have' and 'like' and have been practising reading and spelling words with adjacent consonants. In preparation for our topic Sunshine and Sunflowers next term we have planted some sunflower seeds and the children have been eagerly checking them every day to see if they have sprouted! I hope you all have a relaxing Easter break. Remember you can access the Rhino readers books on line over the break.

Year 1/2— It has been an absolute delight to be teaching in Squirrels class this week, thank you for making me feel so welcome. It may be the last week of term, but we have continued to be super productive. In English, our egg hunt has inspired some descriptive writing. I was impressed with the varied vocabulary that was used to describe each egg that was found!

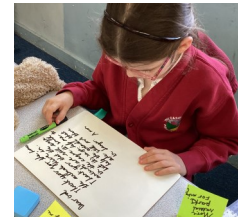
We listened to the book 'Mama built a nest' by Jennifer Ward and worked in pairs to create our own nests using natural materials in the forest school area and then used these to inspire our creative writing. In Maths we have been consolidating our learning by practising key skills such as ordering numbers from smallest to biggest, number bonds to ten and adding and subtracting. In DT we have been working incredibly hard to complete our sewing project. The concentration and resilience shown in order to use a running stitch to make a felt luggage tag has been incredible. In Science we have been finishing off the unit on 'Animal Survival' and have been looking at a range of different life cycles! A wonderful week, well done everyone!



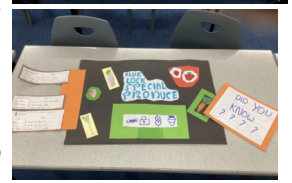
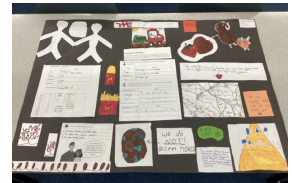


Year 3/4 –Poetry has been our English theme this week. Specifically, learning to craft and daft our own poems inspired by one of the three stories we have studied this term (The Wild Robot, The Lost Happy Endings and Varjak Paw). In maths we have done a series of assessments on arithmetic and reasoning/problem-solving for topics covered this term. Computing wise, we have started working with Logo, which is another type of programming language. We wrote commands to draw shapes and form different letters. Our RE has seen us complete our unit about the Gospel; and Sue Taylor, our Governor and Church representative, led a session with the class on prayer writing ahead of a display for the hall to be completed next term. In PSHE, we reviewed our learning this term concerning healthy choices and healthy friendships. We have also sought to complete our short Geography about seismic activity in a chosen area of interest (Naples, San Francisco, Sumatra, Japan and Poland.) In PE, we concluded our Tag Rugby lessons. Amidst all of this, we had our

Easter church service and a visit/education workshop with the school's solar panel supplier (see separate entry).



Year 5/6 - A very long term but lots of good learning still going on this week. We've been looking at William Blake in English as his poetry is referenced in our class novel, Skellig. We've then used both these texts to inspire our own poetry which has been very impressive as poetry is quite difficult to write! In maths we have completed our work on volume (with an array of interesting multilink constructions). We've had a bit of a focus on verbs in grammar sessions. In science, we carried out an enquiry into whether people who are taller jump higher and interestingly found no correlation between these in our data. We had a focus on evaluating our methods and children are getting a really good scientific understanding of this. In Geography we completed our final innovate project which ties up all our learning about farming over the past term. Children worked collaboratively in order to create plans for their own small farms. They decided what crops would be grown due to the location of the farm in the local area. They then planned their years and decided the farming methods and how they would be able to sell their produce to make money. Their final projects are photographed below. Finally, we had lots of fun and competition in our final tag-rugby session. We played small sided games focussing on passing and moving. We also learned about the all important offside line!



Solar For Schools (Annual Visit). As many of you will be aware, our roof houses a significant number of solar panels, which contributes not only to the school's use of electricity but on occasion can be exported locally to the wider grid. As part of the annual service and maintenance check, the company responsible, Solar For Schools, generously lead the children through a whole school assembly about electricity, power generation, renewables and specifically the part solar solutions can play. Thereafter, they offer an informative, interactive workshop to explore the topic in more detail. Year 3/4 were privileged to experience this as they considered all the electricity they use in school and at home, gaining an insight into kilowatt hours and associated costs. The workshop was filled with STEM links inspiring to both boys and girls alike. We have also been left with access to a systems portal that will enable us to begin to monitor lots of data concerning the performance of our solar panels and our electricity usage. Such real-world data will be very useful to our KS2 children and those on our Eco-Committee.



School Uniform—MyClothing My Clothing one of our uniform suppliers have a discount code available until end 31st May 2025. Please see link and code below.

<https://myclothing.com/collections/the-dassett-primary-school-19051/>

Code = MYCSS10%

Expires = 31/05/2025



Music

Well done to Sophie for completing her Piano Book 1.



Headteacher's Award Well done to Emily and Eleanor for leading the recorder group and the singing during the Easter service. And well done to Year 3/4 class for putting together the Easter service. Thank you.

Diary Dates—Coming Up

Wednesday 7th May—Music assembly. Some children will be performing in an assembly at 9am. If your child is involved you will be notified week commencing 28th April.

Thursday 8th May—VE Day Street Party Menu

Week commencing 12th May—Year 6 SATS

Thursday 15th May—Special Menu—Around the World

Monday 19th May—Year 5/6 Climate workshop

Week commencing 19th May—iSingPop workshops which are leading to a concert

Thursday 22nd May. Save the Date: 6pm Thursday 22 May, Burton Dassett Church,

Whole School Concert In conjunction with Coventry Diocese, we are excited to announce a project taking place in May with Innervation Trust's iSingPOP. This Christian organisation are producing and creating a one-hour concert starring our children at Burton Dassett Church on Thursday 22 May at 6pm. We would like all children and as many families as possible to enjoy and support this event. (Note: the local Scout group have kindly agreed to postpone their session that evening). In the days leading up to the concert, each class will partake in a series of workshops and rehearsals held at school with iSingPOP's professional performers and technical staff. Children will be required to be dropped at Burton Dassett Church for 5pm on the 22nd for a sound-check and final rehearsal, with doors opening to parents and families at 5:50pm for 6:00pm start. The concert will conclude at 7:00pm. We write with further details after Easter.



Basketball On Wednesday, eight of our Year 5 boys and girls competed in a basketball tournament against other local schools at Morton Morrell college. Miss Hillman and a few willing parents, who also attended, were very impressed with their determination, teamwork and competitive spirit, echoing the ethos of the competition. The team of Oliver, Toto, Max, Kian, Hetty, Isla, Eve and Millie managed to win

one game, draw the next then lose their last. Well done team for representing the Dassett in such a positive way!



Lighthorne Heath Children and Family Centre

Lighthorne Heath Children and Family Centre are pleased to announce that they have outside providers joining them to support their Easter activities during the school holidays. Nature Makers are joining them at Lighthorne Heath Children & Family Centre on Thursday 24th April, 09:30 – 11:00am. Families are very welcome to join in the other activities at Stratford C&FC too, such as Bread Making or the Nature Makers the week prior on the 15th April. Please see attached timetable.

Ladbroke Easter Trail

Please see attached information on the Ladbroke Easter Trail. It's happening throughout the school holiday and completely free (there's even a chocolate egg or other gift to pick up at the final point in the church.)

Premier Holiday Camps

Please see attached information on the holiday club being held at Ettington Primary School. This camp accepts children in the HAF scheme.

Onside

Please see attached information on how to book the afterschool club on Friday.

Kineton Football Club

Please see attached information for children in year 1 and year 2.

Have a lovely Easter holiday— from Miss Corry and All at The Dasset