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The Dasset News - 21st March 2025

This Week:- Leaves have been awarded to the following children. The certificates will be given out in assembly on Tuesday morning after half term. Well done all of you.



Hedgehogs (Reception)	Squirrels (Year 1/2)	Bears (Year 3/4)	Badgers (Year 5/6)
Kayden	Madison	Fin	Clara
	Elliott	Harry	Dexter



Reception—This week we have explored more signs of spring as the blossom trees near the playground come into bloom and the children have enjoyed the warmer weather. Cerin bought a bird's egg she had found in and we had fun guessing what type of bird it could be from! We have read the story 'The Girl and the Dinosaur' and explored the vocabulary in it, and had a go at



making our own dinosaur skeletons using art straws. We learned about fossils and Mary Anning. In Maths we have been using the song '7 Little Ducks went swimming one day, over the hill and far away, Daddy duck said 'quack quack quack' and only little ducks came back' to explore the composition of 7. In phonics we continue to revisit Level 3 and focus on our letter formation and writing simple sentences. The children showed amazing skills in PE this week with the hoola hoops. They have also been practising their scissor skills with 'Fix the Dinosaur' pictures. When the class do something as a whole class really well, the helping hands get to put pom poms in a jar. When the jar is full they get a class treat. This week they filled the jar and their treat was a new class toy. A recently read story included a record player so we got a class record player – a fisher price classic and they are enjoying having a go.



Year 1/2— This week Year 1 / 2 have continued working on their descriptive writing. Using the story of The King's Pants for inspiration, the children have written their own story about 'The King's Socks'. They designed and described his socks, decided on a setting for the story, created a storyboard of their story before writing it up in full. They enjoyed hot-seating the role of the King. The children learnt about King Henry VIII in history and continued to think about the story of creation in RE, thinking about what they are thankful for in nature. In Maths, we finished our unit on multiplication and division and have been looking at measure. The children measured a



range of objects, initially using cubes and then in centimetres and metres. In DT, the children started sewing and practised their running stitch. What a busy week!

Year 3/4— Throughout the week in English the children have been writing their own version of 'The Lost Happy Endings'. This witnessed them developing their narrative writing skills including speech punctuation. In maths, we have been looking at capacity and volume (l/ml), with various conversions, comparisons and calculations. In Geography, we completed our look at disasters around tectonic plates by looking at tsunamis, specifically the Boxing Day Indian Ocean tsunami of 2004 and the Japanese undersea earthquake of 2011. In PSHE we continued our discussions on 'Healthy Me' and choices therein especially when faced with peer pressure to try something new. (This week's discussion concerned the effects of alcohol.) Ahead of our visit to the Gurdwara, in RE, we had a brief introduction to the Sikh religion, before our main lesson on our Gospel unit, wherein we thought about what sort of world the children hope for in the future. (Free, peaceful, caring, environmentally conscious). In PE we have played our first game of Tag Rugby - on the field! - in glorious sunshine; followed by gymnastics with Dani. In science we have investigated the strength of various magnets. Whole Class Reading has taken place and we have had our trip to Leamington Gurdwara and Coventry Cathedral.



Year 5/6 - In English ,we carried on reading the novel Skellig and practiced using evidence from the text to support or refute statements. We then moved onto creating role plays to predict what we thought would happen next in the story. Maths has been finishing off our work on percentages and all did very well on our end of unit assessment. In science we analysed our data from our foot sizes data collection last week. We found a positive correlation between age and foot size for children in our school and had some really good scientific discussions about the data.



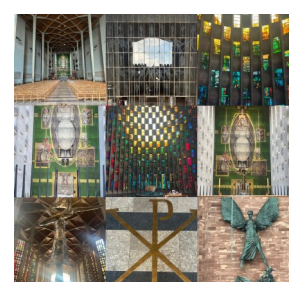
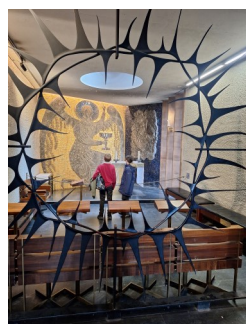
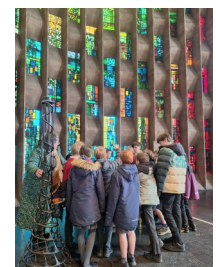
We also looked at the changes our bodies go through during adolescence. In PSHE we discussed gangs and how the use of this word can vary. We talked about how we shouldn't stereotype but also noted things to be aware of with certain types of gangs. In Art , we produced our own line drawings based upon black and white photographs of natural objects. We learned all about different pencil gradings in order to shade effectively using, cross hatching, scumbling, stippling and hatching.

Key Stage 2 School Trip

On Wednesday morning, KS2 visited Leamington Gurdwara where we were met by our guide Shama. Shama showed us to one of the prayer rooms where she presented us with a history of the Gurdwara and Sikh community in Leamington. Following this, she talked us through the history of Sikhism and the teachings of its ten gurus collected and published in the eleventh guru - the Sikh holy book: The Guru Granth Shaib. Throughout, Shama reiterated the Sikh belief in oneness of the divine (across all faiths) and the similarities of all religions in seeking to be a good human whilst serving one's community. The children were incredibly attentive and respectful throughout. We finished the morning by visiting the Langar (the communal kitchen) for juice and biscuits.



In the afternoon, we arrived at Coventry Cathedral . We then divided into three groups for a tour of the cathedral that looked at its history and architecture (from the original 1000 AD monastic site, through the middle ages to the Blitz and the rebuilt modern cathedral). We looked at the cathedral's art, the altar tapestry, the stain-glass windows and several famous sculptures before learning about Coventry's world-wide role as a centre for peace and reconciliation following its wartime experiences. Throughout the trip, the children were impeccably behaved.





Music Award

Well done to Thomas for playing recorder in assembly and to Miss Corry, also for George for playing Purple Polka to Miss Corry.



Next Week



Tuesday 25th March—Air Ambulance Assembly. The Air Ambulance are coming into school to share with the children the Important work that they do. We are going to hold a cake sale to raise money for this worthy cause. Please bring in donations of cakes on the day. Cakes will be sold at 50p each. All money raised will be donated to Air Ambulance.



Tuesday 25th March and Wednesday —Parent Evening. Appointment times have been sent out. If you have not received your time please contact your class teacher.



Friday 28th March—Special Lunch Menu. To celebrate Mother's Day lunch will be a choice of either Battered Fish Fillet or Vegetarian Hot Dog both served with chipped potatoes, peas, baked beans or salad. Dessert is orange/lemon drizzle cake.

Coming Up

Wednesday 9th April—Solar Panel assembly

Thursday 10th April—Easter Service at church at 2.15pm. All parents/carers are welcome to join us for an Easter service.

Brigade School Wear

Please find attached this year's summer flyer with ordering instructions and ordering deadlines for parents. Can you please include this in your new intake packs and share with existing parents.

- The deadline to order for delivery to the school before the end of summer term is **13th June**.
- Thereafter the service switches to home deliver and parents can continue to order until **18th July** to receive their order before the start of term.

For orders placed by the school (school stock / staff uniform etc), our deadlines this summer are as below:

- Orders required by the end of summer term: **13th June**
- Orders required for the first week in September: **18th July**

Comic Relief—Red Nose Day



Thank you to all those who contributed to Comic Relief today—we raised **£80.75**



Educaters



From 1st April 2025 school meals will be increasing in cost to £2.75 per meal per day.

When we return to school after Easter we will also have a new menu—please see attached for your information, this is also available on the school website along with weekly picture menus.

Cool Milk

Please see attached information regarding the milk scheme and how to register your child.



Family Advice Communication Education (FACE)

Please see attached the Spring Timetable and Newsletter.



S&S Football Camp

Please see attached flyer regarding a football camp during the Easter Holidays.

Vision Football Academy

Vision Football Academy, are running an exciting Half-Term Sports Club in Nuneaton. Please see attached flyer.

Family Information Service

Please see link below for the newsletter this week.

<https://mailchi.mp/warwickshire/family-information-service-newsletter-1219204-96fqcdqqs-8828426?d9d2ed5>



Message from Fenny Compton Parish Council

Daffodils have been planted next to the bowls club on the high verge. Please could you encourage your child/children not to walk on them as they are new this year and generously donated by a resident.

Warwickshire Police—Engagement Surgery

We are pleased to introduce a new initiative, as discussed at our last quarterly meeting, aimed at strengthening the relationship between our local police and the community: the Police Engagement Surgery. This initiative will provide residents with the opportunity to meet their local officers, discuss any concerns, seek advice on crime prevention, and work together to improve community safety. Bringing the officers to you. The first session will take place on 01/04/2025 in Napton and Priors Harwick and we encourage you to spread the word among your networks and newsletters. As part of this initiative, we have developed a pilot rota for upcoming surgeries:

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Week	Day	Village 1 (2 hours)	Village 2 (2hours)
Week 1	Tuesday (Early)	Napton	Priors Hardwick
	Wednesday (Late)	Long Itchington	Stockton
Week 2	Tuesday (Early)	Southam Town	Flying Fields
	Wednesday (Early)	Avon Dassett	Farnborough
Week 3	Thursday (Early)	Harbury	Bishops Itchington
	Friday (Early)	Fenny Compton	Ladbroke
Week 4	Sunday (Early)	Ufton	Bascote
	Monday (Late)	Wormleighton	Priors Marston
			Upper and Lower
Week 5	Wednesday (Late)	Upper Lighthorne	Shuckburgh

Please note that this schedule is subject to change based on community needs and officer availability. We will keep you updated on any amendments and advertise all events on Warwickshire Connected and Facebook.



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Have a lovely weekend—from Miss Corry and All at The Dassett