

The Dasset News - 18th October 2024

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



Hedgehogs (Reception)	Squirrels (Year 1/2)	Bears (Year 3/4)	Badgers (Year 5/6)
Oliver	Reuben	Ted	Arthur
	Lula	Henry	Elyzaveta



Reception— Another exciting week in school with an amazing performance of Cinderella – it was very loud and face paced; not to the liking of all the children, but ear defenders helped! This week we have learned the sounds h,b,f,l and the tricky words ‘no’, ‘go’, ‘the’ and ‘I’. All the children have a tricky word tree coming home this week to help them recognise these words by sight. The permission slip for the heights and weights from the school nurse has prompted lots of questions so we have been exploring height and the associated comparative language, taller, shorter. The children have been measuring themselves using non-standard measures and rulers. We have also been comparing amounts using the vocabulary of fewer and more than. We have been enjoying lots of different stories as the children bring in their favourite book from home to share with the class. We have started regular Funky Fingers sessions with activities designed to develop fine motor skills and hand eye co-ordination, vital skills for writing. This week activities have included using scissor scoopers to fill tubes with conkers, using tweezers to balance marbles and putting nuts on bolts.

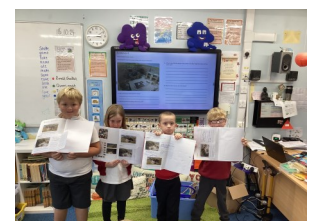


Year 1/2— The children have learnt so much about Neil Armstrong this week and have written amazing fact files about him in English. This has linked to our history lesson this week where we used timelines to order big events in his life. In maths, we have been learning about addition. Year 1 children have been finding the 4 addition sentences that can be made for part whole models and getting to grips with understanding the equality and addition symbols. Year 2s have

secured this knowledge and began balancing equations using the equality symbol and using the greater than and less than symbols too. In Science, the children learnt about the importance of hygiene and discussed ways to keep their bodies clean and healthy. Next week, we will be using our knowledge of Neil Armstrong and space to write a poem in our English lessons.

Year 3/4—This week has seen us develop our history knowledge of the Stone Age through looking at the settlement of Skara Brae in the Orkney Isles (Europe's most in-tact Neolithic village). This has informed and supplemented our English lessons in which we have constructed non-chronological reports about The Stone Age. In maths, we have commenced addition and subtraction work, looking firstly at some basic pre-requisites (number bonds and mental strategies using number lines to bridge place value boundaries). Whole Class reading has taken place, as has swimming and Dance with Dani...

The children's 'Carnival of Animals' work is progressing nicely with some excellent group working observed. French has looked at general introductory phrases when meeting people. In science we have looked at animal diets, before starting to look at bone/skeletal structures. Finally, Mrs Proudfoot reports: in music we recorded our performance of Let it Be by the Beatles - have a listen to it on Seesaw. We were very impressed with how beautiful it sounded. We then learnt a pop song in the style of Kylie Minogue (and were educated on who Kylie was - no one knew! I definitely got some blank looks when talking about Neighbours!). In computing we learnt what a variable was and had a go at using these in some code.



Year 5/6 - In maths, this week we have been looking at mental and written methods for addition and subtraction. Children have really good the hang of these and have been completing some trickier tasks involving them. In English we have been writing the next parts of our version of The Highwayman poem and have been using some impressive vocabulary choices. We did a little bit of science before the panto ('oh no we didn't!') and discussed air resistance and started planning our practical work for next week. We all really enjoyed the Cinderella panto and Mrs Proudfoot was very surprised they all knew the N*Sync song used (TikTok. Of course) and got a lovely rendition of it at swimming the next day. After swimming on Wednesday we had a busy afternoon reading about Katherine Johnson, coming up with our class learning charter in PSHE and even squeezed in a little bit of French learning about different types of accent marks on letters. In RE we looked at the definition of the word rebel and discussed whether we believed Jesus was a rebel. The children originally felt being a rebel was a negative thing but then began to believe that sometimes questioning and challenging things that happen can be a good thing. We finished our week by completing out timetables Pokemon challenge!

Football

Last week, I had the pleasure of taking a Year 5 and 6 football team to a tournament, in Leamington. Five schools of differing sizes entered the tournament which was aimed at Year 6 children. Our boys and girls did us proud playing against older- and often bigger- children. We won our first match 3-0 against Lighthorne with two goals from Arthur and one from Toto. We then beat Stockton 2-1 with goals from Archie and Oliver. Unfortunately, we were then beaten by strong teams from Sydenham and St James to end up in third place. I was proud of all the children for their behaviour, effort and attitude towards the games. A huge thanks to Chirs Meaney for lending us the Fen-ny Compton kit for the day and for all the parents who came to watch.

Head Teacher Award



Well done to Year 3/4 for brilliant Stone Age reports and Millie in Year 5/6 who wrote a fabulous rhyming poem based on the classic poem by Alfred Noyes.

Christmas Cards Designs

The Friends of The Dassetts have arranged this popular fundraising activity. All children should have brought home their card design with information on how to order and the other items that are available. **Please order by 12 noon on 28th October 2024.** After this date it may not be possible to order. Many thanks



Clubs

All teacher led clubs have now finished for half term. Monday dance and Friday multisport will go ahead next week.

Onside Coaching

Please see attached information on how to book the multisport after school club on a Friday after.

Next Week

Monday 21st October and Tuesday 22nd October—Year 5 will be taking part in Bikeability.

Tuesday 22nd and Wednesday 23rd October—Parent Meetings—letters have been sent home to book an appointment and times have been sent home. If you have not received your appointment please contact the class teacher.

Thursday 24th October—RE Day

Friday 25th October—Rearranged fire service visit to year 1/2 and 5/6.

Monday 28th October—Friday 1st November—Half Term

Monday 4th November—Open morning for parents/carers of children that will be starting school in September 2025.

Coming Up

Monday 28th October—Shop closes at 12 noon for purchasing of Christmas cards etc



Flu Immunisations

An electronic consent form has been emailed home and put on Seesaw/ Tapestry. Please complete one form per child, whether you consent to the nasal spray or not. If you are struggling to complete the form online please call 01926 353 899 and they should be able to help you over

the phone.

Pantomime

On Tuesday we welcomed M & M Production to school to perform their version of Cinderella. The children had an amazing time. Thank you to all those who contributed towards the cost of this.



Warwickshire Youth Choir

Please see attached information. Warwickshire Youth Choirs are pleased to share with you their new Youthies singing group for Key Stage 1 with a free taster session for all children between the ages of 4 and 7.

Youthies takes place every Wednesday in term time at St Nicholas Church, Warwick at 4 30 pm.

Plus their free Festive Singing Workshop and Concert on Saturday 30th November 2024 in Warwick.

Stratford Literacy Festival Please see attached flyer detailing half term events.

Heritage & Culture Warwickshire

Experience Halloween at St John's Haunted House and go on the spooky trail of Red Riding Hood, use your literacy skills at the Storytime Adventure and get crafty at Autumn Arty Tots. Please see attached information.

Premier Education Please see attached flyer with a QR code for details on a multi-activity holiday camp being held at Ettington Primary School during October half term.

Warwickshire Family Information Services

Please copy and paste the link below for the newsletter this week. Information includes: keeping children safe this Halloween, RISE information for parents/ carers, warning over fake Universal Credit app and text messages.

<https://mailchi.mp/warwickshire/family-information-service-newsletter-1219204-96fqcdqpps-1229695?e=d04d9d2ed5>



Primary Applications

If you have a child due to start school in September 2025 the applications open on Friday 1st November. To apply for a place at a primary school please copy and paste the link below. <https://www.warwickshire.gov.uk/admissions>

Maths—Thank you to those parents who came along to the information meeting about Maths in school. We will put the powerpoint on the website for everyone to access along with a glossary of terms.

English—Again thank you to those parents who joined Mr Hackett online to learn about how reading happens in school. He will post the powerpoint on the website, on the relevant curriculum page, at the beginning of next week.

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