



## Dalton St Mary's CE Primary School

Spring Term

# Newsletter 27

25<sup>th</sup> April 2018

Dear Parents/Carers and Children,

We have had a really busy start to the summer term and there is a lot planned for the weeks ahead. We have had one or two days of sunshine and the children actually managed to have a few break times on the field. Hopefully we will have many more pleasant days in the coming weeks for us all to enjoy.

### **Big Pedal**

A letter has been sent home with your child with information for Big Pedal. We hope lots of children and grown-ups will be taking part; last year's event was very successful. From a school perspective there are two requests:

- All participating children should be wearing a helmet on their journey to school
- Bikes and scooters should not be ridden on the playground at the beginning or end of the school day

Thank you for your support.

### **Swimming**

Please note that there will be no swimming on Thursday 3<sup>rd</sup> May 2018. We have to book our sessions a year in advance and we do not book this day with the swimming baths as we are usually closed for voting. However, this year there is no local election.

Please note also that it is our School Gala on 24<sup>th</sup> May 2018. This is for Y4, Y5 and Y6 therefore there will be no Year 3 swimming on that date. After half term from Thursday 7<sup>th</sup> June 2018, swimming will be for Y3 and Y2. Further information will be sent before this date.

### **End of the school day**

We have become aware that with the more pleasant days children are staying on the playground longer when coming out of school. It is lovely that they want to stay longer but I must ask that children do not go onto the adventure playground or the field at the beginning or end of the school day. This is typically a time when accidents could occur and at the end of the school day Mrs Millington and Mrs O'Reilly are waiting for the playground to clear to allow the children at after school club to play out. Thank you for your support with this.

### **Little Princess Trust**

Dora Jones (Year 1) is doing a sponsored hair cut for charity and donating her hair to the Little Princess Trust. Dora has been growing her hair for over a year now so she can donate it to the Little Princess Trust and is aiming to raise £100 for the charity. Little Princess Trust provides real hair wigs, free of charge to children and young adults that have lost their own hair through cancer treatment and other illnesses. This started when Dora asked if she could get her hair cut short. Dora loves her hair and always wants it putting into different styles so her Mum and Dad were very surprised by this. Her Mum and Dad spoke to her about the work of The Little Princess Trust and Dora immediately said she wanted to do that and so she would need to grow her hair to at least 30cm. Dora has been determined and she is finally ready for 'the chop' which will take place on Saturday 5<sup>th</sup> May.

A Just Giving page has been set up for anyone who would like to donate and support Dora. The website address is: <https://www.justgiving.com/fundraising/dora-jones>

## **Sports Day**

We have two dates for Sports Day in the dates for diaries although we do hope that the weather will be kind to us on our first planned day; Friday 18<sup>th</sup> May 2018. The reserve day is Friday 25<sup>th</sup> May 2018. Following last year's event, we reviewed the day and as a result of the review we have changed the format of Sports Day this year. Children will now have an afternoon of sports rather than the whole day as in previous years. Parents are invited to join us on the field from 1.00pm.

## **Uniform**

It is now the summer term and we have actually had a couple of warm days. The impact of the sunshine is that children take off their jumpers and leave them everywhere! It is really important that all items of clothing are clearly labelled – this saves so much time and upset and helps us to reunite clothes to the correct children. It is still important that children come to school in the correct uniform during the summer term:

### **Uniform:**

The simple and inexpensive uniform that all children are expected to wear includes:

**Girls:** Dark green jumper, cardigan, or school sweatshirt/cardigan, white blouse or polo shirt, grey skirt/grey or black trousers or pinafore dress (green & white check dress in summer), white socks, black shoes.

**Boys:** Dark green jumper or school sweatshirt, grey shirt or white shirt / polo shirt, grey or black trousers, black shoes.

### **Summer Term (if preferred)**

A green polo shirt with the school logo will be available from suppliers to wear following the Easter break.

## *£ Woodburn*

*Dear God,*

*We pray for those in need and ask you to keep them safe.*

*Amen.*

(Anon)

## **Nursery Applications and Extended Hours**

Applications for places in our Nursery are now being accepted for the next academic year; September 2018, January 2019 and April 2019. Application forms are available from the school office and we are able to provide the **30 hour offer for those parents who qualify**. Parents who do not qualify for the 30 hour offer are still able to book and pay for their children to stay for the full day (£10.00 per extra session). If anyone would like any further information please ask Mrs Irving in the office or email her at [h.irving@dsmprimary.com](mailto:h.irving@dsmprimary.com).

## Dates for Diaries

Big Pedal		Week Beginning: Monday 30 <sup>th</sup> April 2018
Y1 Parent Phonics Meeting (Y1 Classroom)	2.45	Monday 30 <sup>th</sup> April 2018
Bank Holiday		Monday 7 <sup>th</sup> May 2018
Y6 SATs Week		Week Beginning: Monday 14 <sup>th</sup> May 2018
Sports Day		Friday 18 <sup>th</sup> May 2018
Reserve Sports Day		Friday 25 <sup>th</sup> May 2018
Library Bus Visit		Tuesday 22 <sup>nd</sup> May 2018
Swimming Gala		Thursday 24 <sup>th</sup> May 2018
Finish for half term		Friday 25 <sup>th</sup> May 2018
Return to school		Monday 4 <sup>th</sup> June 2018
World Environment Day		Wednesday 6 <sup>th</sup> June 2018
Dad's Dinner	Save the date . . .	Friday 8 <sup>th</sup> June 2018
Y1 Class Assembly	Parents Welcome 9.15	Friday 15 <sup>th</sup> June 2018

## Extra-Curricular Activities

### Morning / Lunchtime Clubs

Club	Leader	Day	Time	Comments
Singing for Fun	Mrs Wright	Wednesday	12.30	Reception/Y1/Y2 (Y3 classroom)
Scrabble	Mrs Rowe	Tuesday	12.25	Y4/Y5/Y6 (Library)
Gardening	Mrs Croskery	Friday	12.30	Y5/Y6 Children
Craft Club	Mrs Rowe	Friday	12.25	Y6 (Library)

### After School Clubs

Club	Leader	Day	Time	Comments
Multi Sports	Onside Sports	Monday	3.30 to 4.30	Reception and KS1 (Full)
Y5 & Y6 Art Club	Mrs Pickering	Monday	3.30 to 4.30	Y5 Classroom
Football Club	Onside Sports staff	Tuesday	3.30 to 4.30	Y5/Y6 (Booking through school)
Story Club	Mrs Ryder	Tuesday	3.30 to 4.00	Nursery, Reception and a grown-up!
Multi Sports	Onside Sports	Wednesday	3.30 to 4.30	KS2 (Booking forms from the Office)
Y2 Art Club	Mrs Ryder	Wednesday	3.30 to 4.15	Year 2 (in Nursery)
Guitar Club	James (Cumbria Music Service)	Wednesday	3.30 to 4.00	Booking through the school office
Performing Arts	Mrs Croskery	Thursday	3.30 to 4.30	KS2 Children (in Hall)