



Dorchester Primary School

Dorchester Road
Kingston upon Hull
HU7 6AH

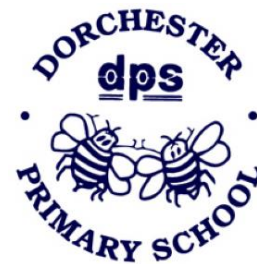
Tel. (01482) 825207

Fax. (01482) 833016

E-mail: admin.dorchester@hcat.org.uk

www.dorchesterprimary.org.uk

Headteacher – Mr S. Mills BA (Hons), NPQH
Deputy Head – Mrs N. Van Der Walt BA (Hons), PGCE



WEEKLY NEWSLETTER

Week 4 – 29th September 2023

Message from Mr Mills

It was great to be back in school this week – I have certainly missed the joy and humour of children's unexpected actions and comments – they always keep us on our toes!

Many of you were keen to share some of your concerns with me – especially around children riding bikes and scooters on the school site, as well as some of our older children climbing on the bike shed before and after school. Both of these things pose a risk to the safety of people on site (both children and adults) so I would continue to ask that you support us with this and, if you notice children who are not your own riding and climbing, please approach a member of staff to inform.

It was great to support the MacMillan coffee morning today – the sweet treats went down extremely well! Thank you for your generous donations to such an important cause.

Have a great weekend.

Stuart Mills

Key Reminders

Operation Encompass

Dorchester is an Operation Encompass school. This is a joint partnership between the police and schools to support children who may have been exposed to domestic abuse incidents. When police attend reports of domestic abuse, they will identify any children who live in the household and pass this information onto the schools those children attend. This allows us to provide early support to children where needed.

Attendance

Whole-school weekly attendance	
Class with the best attendance	



"Working together in a safe and inclusive environment, to develop creative, disciplined and aspirational pupils."

Please ensure your child is at school on time, every day. If you are having any difficulties with getting your child to school, please contact our attendance officers: Mrs Gasparelli or Mrs Steer.

Upcoming events	
Monday 2 nd October	Individual School Photos
Wednesday 4 th October	Y5/6 Football Competition @ Marvell College
Wednesday 25 th October	Halloween Disco (KS1 = 4:00–5:00pm, KS2 = 5:00–6:00pm)
Thursday 26 th October	Children break off for half-term
Monday 6 th November	Children return to school
<i>All of our key dates for this term are on our website or you can find them on Dojo</i> https://dorchesterprimary.org.uk/calendar/	

Messages
<p>Class Dojo</p> <p>Thank you to the many of you who have already signed up to 'class Dojo'. This communication tool is proving very popular and I have heard many positive comments about how you are finding it much easier to communicate with your child's class teacher. This week, there was a period of time where the app was not working – this is beyond our control so please bear with us when instances like this occur.</p> <p>Dojo's are awarded in school to children going 'above and beyond' and showing our school values. We have purchased our first Dojo prizes, which children can swap their Dojos for – the more Dojos they have, the bigger the prize they can get!</p>

What's been happening in school this week?	
EYFS	Year 1/2
<p>The nursery children have had a very busy week. In maths we have enjoyed lots of number rhymes and they have practised their counting skills. They have used these skills into their own learning. In phonics the children have listened carefully to environmental and animal sound. They have shown excellent listening skills. In literacy the children have sang the rhyme '5 fat sausages' and have completed activities linked to this. The children continue to show their love of learning and we continue to be very proud of them.</p> <p>Reception have had a very busy week finishing their 'One Fox' story maps and then thinking about changing it to create their own thriller counting story. It's looking good so far, with some amazing ideas. In maths we have been learning about comparing measurements and learning about measuring accurately. The children played a game called 'how long is a piece of string' where they had cubes, lollipop sticks and links to measure their string with. They found they needed more cubes to measure with as they were shorter than the lollipop sticks. We also did a live</p>	<p>In year 1 and 2 this week in computing we have looked at what information technology is and how it can help us do many different things. We also practised different skills on the laptops such as mouse control and typing. In geography we have continued looking at maps, we have discussed what features a map need to make it a good one. We used these features to design a map of our classroom.</p> <p>In Year 1 Maths, we have been looking at simple addition. We have done addition by completing number sentences and addition stories.</p> <p>In Year 2 Maths, we have begun looking at addition by using the column addition method. We have enjoyed using concrete materials to support our understanding of this method.</p>



Dorchester Primary School

Dorchester Road
Kingston upon Hull
HU7 6AH

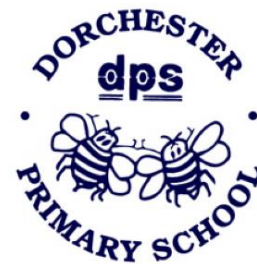
Tel. (01482) 825207

Fax. (01482) 833016

E-mail: admin.dorchester@hcat.org.uk

www.dorchesterprimary.org.uk

Headteacher – Mr S. Mills BA (Hons), NPQH
Deputy Head – Mrs N. Van Der Walt BA (Hons), PGCE



<p>activity using the sand timer to measure the amount of time it took for the container to fill with rainwater!</p> <p>Phonics is going well. Next week we will be learning ck, e, u and r.</p>	
Year 3/4	Year 5
<p>Both Year 3 and 4 have worked hard this week to build their narrative of "The True Story of The Three Little Pigs" working on using repetition and thoughts.</p> <p>In maths both year groups have been working on using the column method to add either two 3-digit numbers or two four-digit numbers.</p> <p>In History we have looked at the significant events within Hull's trawling industry and the children are excited to learn about the Triple Trawler Tragedy! We have ended the week trying a new skill- sketching with a pen!</p>	<p>This week year 5 have really loved getting further into our reading of 'The Nowhere Emporium' and have made some great connections between characters and events from the beginning of the book to those in later chapters.</p> <p>Within numeracy, we have moved on from our place value sessions to use this knowledge to support us with our mental and column addition of numbers up to a million successfully. To build up on our knowledge of safe searching in computing lessons, children have talked about the uses of social media and the problems this may cause during PSHE - some very sensible ideas were shared by the children so please also have a chat with them about this at home.</p>
Year 6	Hive
<p>In Y6 this week, we have recapped and consolidated our learning on multiplying numbers by two-digit numbers by generating a comprehensive success criteria. We've also really enjoyed our class v class battle on 'Hit the Button' (Mr Prendergast's class currently leads 2-0!) In Reading, we have focused on the skill of finding and copying phrases from our core text 'The Island at the End of Everything' and a different text called 'The Underground City'. We have started our independent writing continuing the story of Marty, who now has a glimmer of hope in his otherwise bleak predicament! We planned our first two 'chunks' of the next paragraph before orally rehearsing our sentences and then finally writing - we have some incredible authors in Y6!</p>	<p>This week in The Hive we have focused on the grapheme 'd', the children have practiced saying these words 'dog', 'dinosaur' and 'door'. They have done really well with these.</p> <p>We have been learning new nursery rhymes and ordering the song through pictures. The children have traced over words from the song during mark making lessons.</p> <p>In maths we have been focusing on quantities 1 to 5, the children have been matching the correct amount to the numeral through pictures and objects.</p> <p>All children have done amazing with their SALT interventions from recognising nouns and verbs to</p>



"Working together in a safe and inclusive environment, to develop creative, disciplined and aspirational pupils."

In PE, we looked at the skill of dribbling and as part of our Geography topic we enjoyed looking at Ordnance Survey Maps, picking out the features we could find and discussing the limitations of these maps compared to electronic versions.	<p>following 3-word level instructions.</p> <p>Have a lovely weekend - the children have worked very hard this week.</p>
--	--

Next Week's Menu				
<i>Monday</i>	<i>Tuesday</i>	<i>Wednesday</i>	<i>Thursday</i>	<i>Friday</i>
Pasta bolognaise with garlic bread	Sausages with mashed potato	Chicken curry with rice and naan	Roast beef with Yorkshire pudding	Fish Friday with chips
Tomato pasta (V)	Vegetarian sausages (V)	Vegetable curry (V)	Vegetable crumble (V)	Homemade Hull pattie (V)
Plus, a selection of sandwiches (ham, cheese or tuna) and jacket potatoes (tuna, cheese or beans)				