



# Dair House Newsletter

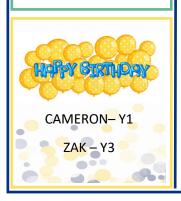
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We would love if you could spare a moment to review us on Google and help others see how great we are!



# Head's Welcome



Dear Parents,

As I write this, happily we are making the final preparations for the return of all your children next week!

I am extremely relieved that all the schools in England will be returning to a semblance of normality from Monday 8th March. I am also sure, that you are all keen for family life to take a step closer to how it used to be.

I have been amazed by the way the children have coped in such difficult times. Their focus and concentration during the online learning has been truly outstanding. We are certainly aiming to utilise the wonderful outdoor spaces we have here at Dair House School as fully as possible during these last three weeks of term, to get away from the screens as much as we

I must also thank the wonderful staff here for showing such commitment throughout this trying period. I feel I do need to make special mention of all the Nursery staff who have worked continually throughout the lockdown; Mrs Tough, Ms Rose and Miss Grahame, who have been ever present in the key worker bubbles; and Kelly our wonderful cleaner who has worked tirelessly, without fail, every evening to keep the all maintain the highest classrooms clean. The dedication of these

As life does start to return future. to normal I must remind everyone that we should all still follow the government guidance regarding reducing the risk of infections.

Please remember that you will be asked to collect your child immediately if they show

any of the following symptoms:

A high temperature

A cough

A loss of smell or taste

Please also remember that contact with other people outside of your family is strictly limited, so do not arrange for car shares with non-family members until the government allows this to happen.

If you have a positive case in your family household, please inform us immediately.

It is clear that the risk of the virus spreading again is still very high, so we must levels of care and caution over the coming months to people has been amazing! ensure we do not have to return to lockdown in the

> I greatly look forward to welcoming everyone back next week for a sunny and happy three weeks!

With best wishes.





# **Our Talented Children**



Year 2 have been learning all about Spring and collecting descriptions, this week. **Leo** made a fantastic PowerPoint on 'The

Signs of Spring' and used fabulous pictures and descriptions. He also included some lovely photographs from his very own garden.

**Ria** also did some beautiful work with lots of pictures. Mrs Woodhall was very impressed with Ria's efforts.

**Megan** produced a fabulous piece on 'Busy Bee's' which again showed some great descriptions and an exciting section on how 'Spring is here!'

Well done Year 2, these were incredible!

Mr Carter mentioned some more fabulous pieces of work on 'Kensuke's Island'. So much time and effort has gone into these, as you can see from more of the pictures below.

**George** in Year 5 made the most wonderful map and Mr Carter said it was the best map that he has ever seen from George!

There was also a special mention to **Issy, Bea** and **Otto** for producing incredible work too.





Each week, Mrs Haward talks to her class about the weekend and this week she saw some great work from Reception. **Anna** drew a picture of a lovely pizza, **Dawson** produced some lovely writing, **Jojo** used some fabulous words and **Nishan** impressed everyone with a drawing of a very bouncy trampoline!





**Lucy** in Year 5 made her very own Powerpoint on 'Costal Erosion'. This was not homework but she went over and above to create it. There were also some great pictures of some dreamy beaches which I think made the whole School wish they were on a beach during the awards assembly this week!

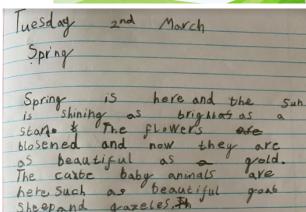






#### WHAT IS SPRING?

- · Spring is a season.
- Spring months are March, April and May
- · I like spring because a lot of things happen.
- In spring we celebrate Easter, Mothers day, St. Patricks day, St. George's day, St. David's day and Queen Elizabeth's birthday.



In my Garden

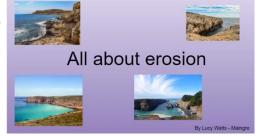
• Lots of flowers are starting to grow.











# **PTA Update**

Just a reminder for the upcoming magic show: Amigos Magic: Friday 19th March at 6.00pm

Cost is £10 per ticket and everyone attending will be entered into a prize draw for a magic pack and DVD.



## Miles for Miall

This week St David took the lead on the most miles walked with 1,535 miles. They are also in the lead with a total of 4,251 miles, in second place is St Patrick with 3,760.

Keep on walking Dair House!





Thank you to Mr Carter for donating a camera to the School so we can capture great pictures for the newsletter, fixtures and all the fun events we hope to see happen this year!





Rules: Dair House pupils only, no more than 4 minutes long and all entries to be submitted by 17th March 2021. Please email all entries across to Mrs Bull or upload to your Google Classroom.

### **Music Performance Week**

Last week the children took part in our annual Music Performance Week. All in all we had 62 performances from children in Years 1 to 6. Each performer performed to their class from their house via Google Meet and it was very enjoyable to hear all the wonderful music making that has happened during lockdown. Children at Dair house are very talented and it was pleasing to see such an array of performances including singing, piano, ukulele, organ, violin, guitar, trumpet, flute, clarinet, drums, tabla and electronic compositions.

I am very pleased to say that our superb team of instrumental peripatetic teachers will be resuming face to face teaching next week when the children return to school. We will also be welcoming our new drum teacher Simon Brett who is very keen to start teaching at Dair House. If you would like your child to start drum lessons or any other instrumental lessons please do email me at jbull@dairhouse.co.uk. Playing a musical instrument is a skill that I believe every child should have the opportunity to do and over the past Dair House children have received music and choral scholarships because of their musical talents.



Mrs Bull