



Headteacher Newsletter 3



Week Commencing: Monday 21st January 2018

Value of the Month: Justice

Macmillan

You may recall that we took part in the annual Tree Festival at Dalton St Mary's Church in December. This year, the chosen charity was Macmillan and I am pleased to inform you that a grand total of £117.39 was raised. A big thank you to Miss Ritchie for taking the lead with this and to every class for creating such wonderful tree decorations.



Donation

At the end of last term, we received a lovely surprise. Derek Leviston (Sophia's Grandad), Secretary of The George Wood Memorial Benevolent Fund has donated a staggering £500 to school. Mr Leviston was overjoyed with Dolphin Class and their Christmas performance of 'A Little Bird Told Me' that he wanted to show his appreciation. We are astounded by his generosity and very thankful, therefore we have written thank you letters and Dolphin Class have drawn pictures. This kind donation will go towards equipment and resources.
Well done Dolphin Class!

Star of the Week

Dolphin Class – Sophia Leviston
Whale Class – Zachary Faben
Shark Class – Sam Keel

Well done children!
Jumpers should be washed (inside out) at home and brought back to school after half term please. Thank you.



Attendance

Dolphin Class – 99.05%
Whale Class – 95%
Shark Class – 93.75%

A reminder that school starts at 8:55am. We have noted that a number of children are arriving after 9:00am. Please ensure your children arrive promptly for school. Should you find that you are running late, please come into school with your children to sign them in.

10 minutes late each day equates to nearly one hour of missed education a week.



The School Day

8:45-8:55	Door Open
8:55	Registration
9:00	Collective Worship
9:15	Session 1
10:15	Break
10:30	Session 2
11:00	Session 3
11:50	Lunch - Dolphin
12:00	Lunch - Whale
12:10	Lunch - Shark
1:00	Session 4
2:00	Break (Dolphin only)
2:00/2:15	Session 5
3:15	Home time

Uniform

It has been pleasing to observe that most children are now compliant with our school uniform policy with regards to logo items. Those who have yet to comply, should arrange to speak with the class teacher of Mrs McFarlane.

SIAMs Inspection

This academic year, we are due to have our Statutory Inspection of Anglican and Methodist Schools (SIAMs). SIAMs inspection's focus on the impact of the Church school's Christian vision on pupils and adults.

Our inspection is scheduled to take place any time after February half term and we will be one of the first schools inspected under the new framework, which comes into force this year. There have been a number of changes to the framework including the possible judgements. Expectations have increased further and schools' can now be graded excellent, good, requires improvement or ineffective. As a school, we are confident that we are an effective church school.

Dates for your diary...

Thursday 24th January – Bible Explorers for Shark Class (3/5 sessions)
Tuesday 29th January – Dolphin Class Worship
Dowdales Leadership PE working with Shark Class (3 sessions)
Friday 1st February ~ WOM for January, 2:45pm.
Year 2 Indoor Athletics at DASH, 3:45pm.
Wednesday 6th February ~ Nursery drop in for parents, 3:30pm
Friday 8th February ~ Shark Class at Dowdales for performance.
Friday 15th February ~ End of term!



As always, please do not hesitate to get in touch with any queries.

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Dear God,

Thank you for helping me wake up with a justice feeling in my bones and equal feeling in my heart, wanting to be positive and bright today and hoping that I accomplish all of my targets. I pray that the world will be the most peaceful place you have ever dreamed of.

Amen.

Evie Bates, Year 6

Cate Britton, Year 5

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