

Friday 3<sup>rd</sup> May 2024

Dear Parent/ Carers,

Another busy week here at Dursley Primary. All the children across the school have experienced exciting Dodgeball Sessions with the Sports Project. It was fantastic hearing the sounds of sheer joy and passion as I walked past the Gym whilst they were taking place, I have a feeling it is going to be another popular after school club! Next term, they will be running an Athletics Club too!

Reception enjoyed their visit to the Church today. Miss Webb has proudly shared with me that the children demonstrated all of our values as they walked through the town, and were brilliant representatives of the school!

Next term we will be welcoming Mrs Stancombe to Team Dursley. Mrs Stancombe joins us as an excellent, experienced Teacher, and has worked within the trust for a number of years. Mrs Stancombe will join the EYFS team, as Palm Class Teacher. Mrs Watts remains absent, and I feel it is important that we offer the children consistency during their final weeks in Reception. Mrs Stancombe will be in school over the next couple of weeks to meet with the Reception Children, and work alongside the EYFS team. Reception parents will be able to meet Mrs Stancombe after school on Wednesday 15<sup>th</sup> May.

Have a wonderful bank holiday weekend,

Best wishes, Mrs Gregory and Team Dursley

Together we shine brightly because together we make a difference



### School Association Treasurer

We are seeking an enthusiastic person to join our School Association as a Treasurer. This is a crucial role in managing the funds of the School Association.

If you are interested, or you would like to learn more about this role, please see email [schoolassociation@dursley.dgat.org.uk](mailto:schoolassociation@dursley.dgat.org.uk) for additional information.

### Class photos!

Don't forget it is class photo day on **Tuesday 7<sup>th</sup> May**. Please remember to send your child in full school uniform on this day. If it is PE Day, please send this in separately in a PE bag, for you children to change before the lesson.



**Values Leave Awards**

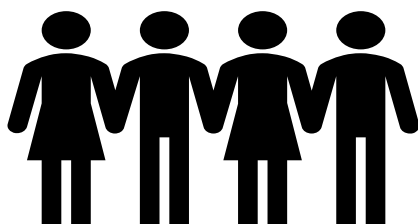
Respect	Responsibility	Thankfulness
Maddie R-M Anastasia C Octavia O	Willow Class Tom T Alexia D Amelia B	
Forgiveness	Kindness	Perseverance
	Sophie F-P Libby M Fern H Harley S Bruce B	Zak L Abe M-B Harry J

**GOVERNORS CORNER**

Thank you to all who took part in the parent governor election ballot. I am happy to announce that Dr. Susanna Martin was successful and is now your new parent governor, joining Richard Harris our other parent governor.

Please talk to both parent governors to ensure that your voice is heard at the governing trustee board.

Carole O'Donnell  
Chair of Governors



**Thank you**

Thanks to our fantastic community, support from our School Association, and Mangotsfield Reading Hub, we have been able to purchase some new Essential Letters and Sounds Fully Decodable books. These books are full aligned with our chosen Phonics Scheme (ELS). Mrs Hardwicke (our Phonics Lead) will begin to organise these new books over the next few weeks. So keep an eye out for them coming home with your child soon!

## Class Dojo

We've been really pleased with the number of parents who have signed up to Class Dojo! Some of our teacher's have already begun to post in the 'class story'.

Our next step is to gather and update photo and video permissions. Look out for an email from school which will contain an Online Form for you to complete.

When you log into the app, a pop up appears asking whether you wish to become a Premium Member. Please be advised there are charges attached to this membership, and it not required to access the Dursley Primary pages. If you have accidentally clicked this, please contact Class Dojo directly to arrange a refund.



## Facebook

We have a Facebook page! We really want to share with our community all of the amazing things we are doing here at Dursley Primary. The Facebook page will be used to update parents, carers, and the wider community of events, our learning and achievements.

Please like and follow our page by searching for Dursley CoE Primary Academy.

**NB. We will not be using the page to communicate directly with parents/carers. Please use other communication channels for this.**



DURSLEY ADDITIONAL NEEDS & DISABILITY

Parent Support Group

FIRST  
**FRIDAY**  
OF EVERY MONTH  
9.30 - 10.30am

"Parents supporting parents"

PARSONAGE BAR, DURSLEY  
FREE TO ATTEND



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Gloucestershire  
Parent Carers

**Dates for your diaries**

<b>Tuesday 7th May</b>	Year 6 Leavers and class group Photos
<b>Friday 10th May</b>	Y6 School beat visit (E-Safety and Staying Safe in the Community Focus)
<b>Monday 13th May</b>	Y6 SATS Week
<b>Tuesday 14th May</b>	SARA Lifeboat talk (Y3 and 4) School Association meeting
<b>Wednesday 22nd May</b>	Y6 Residential Information Evening
<b>Thursday 23rd May</b>	Y5/6 Mountain Biking Comp (4x pupils)
<b>Tuesday 4th June</b>	KS1 Multi Skills Event
<b>Monday 10th June</b>	KS2 Church Theatre Visit
<b>Wednesday 12th June</b>	Y6 Cathedral Leaver Service KS2 District Sports Event
<b>Saturday 15th June</b>	Summer Fair featuring the Dursley Colour Run!
<b>Week beginning 17th June</b>	Y6 Bikeability – Y6 children must bring in their own bikes and helmets- please park in the bike shed!
<b>Thursday 20th June</b>	KS1 Trip to Slimbridge
<b>Week beginning 24th June</b>	Y6 Residential
<b>Wednesday 17th July</b>	School Association Treat Day! Reports due to go home today!



**Food Hub Fundraising!**

We had a fantastic response to our pleas for Toys and Games this week, and the Reflect and Connect Committee were delighted to sell the collection to their friends across the school! Thank you so much to Mrs Elliott and the Reflect and Connect Committee for organising this.

**We raised £230.20 for the Food Hub, well done to all!** The monies raised will be used to buy items which are not usually donated, such as Toothbrushes, Shampoos etc.