

Summer
Term 2021

Durley CE Primary School

Newsletter 2

30 April 2021



Dear Parents and Carers

It has been lovely to see the children enthusing about their new class studies this week with the Key Stage 1 Dinosaur topic and Key Stage 2 Ancient Civilisations of Egypt and Greece. We have had some fabulous writing and art work across the school. Red and Green Classes have started their STEM project on flooding and the whole school has been undertaking maths tests in preparation for parents evenings next week.

Thank you to those of you who remembered that we have changed the times of drop off and collection this week

Drop off: A-H 8:45 to 8:55am I-Z 8:50 to 9:00am.

Collection: A-H 3:15 to 3:25pm I-Z 3:20 to 3:30pm.

Please can you ensure your child is in school by 9:00am each day and collected by 3:30pm and also remember that we are still practicing social distancing and that face coverings must be worn. We ask that you take care when parking and a reminder that there is no parking on the track, and that the entrance to the track is not suitable for cars turning around. We are very grateful to Quob Stables and the Parish Council for giving us permission for parents to park at the stables and the Memorial Hall relieving congestion on the road.

Co-opted Governor Needed for our Governing Body

We are looking for 2 new co-opted Governors to join our Governing Body. A co-opted Governor is not necessarily a parent but someone from the community who has the skills and experience, which might be of help to the Governing Body such as expertise in personnel or premises. This could be a Grandparent, neighbour or family friend who would be keen to take an interest in the development of Durley Primary School. If you know of anyone who would like to join our Governing Body please ask them to contact us.

Personal, Social and Health Education (PSHE)

Today we have had our first visitor in school with key stage 2 workshops from Coram Life Education SCARF (Safety, Caring, Achievement, Resilience, Friendship). Please find out from your children what they learnt from the visit.



Many thanks to all of you who took the time to respond to the PSHE parental consultation last term, which we have found extremely helpful in supporting our new PSHE curriculum design. Please take time to read the attached letter outlining the changes we have made. Some parents asked when the 'changing and growing' lessons would take place. We intend to deliver the sessions to children immediately after the half term break. The content of each session was sent to you last term, however please email the school office if you would like us to resend them. We will be contacting the Year 6 parents over the coming week with details of how you are able to view the resources prior to the lessons.

Wickham Community Pantry



I recently attended the opening of the new Wickham Pantry which supports families who are struggling financially to make their food budget go a little further by offering an average of £15 worth of food for only £5.00. It is based in the Wickham Community Centre and open every Tuesday 1:00-3:00pm. Please follow the link for more information:

<http://www.wickhamcommunitycentre.org.uk/82/the-wickham-pantry>

Parent Meetings



A reminder that parent consultation phone calls on **Thursday 6 May and Thursday 13 May** between 2:00 and 5:30pm for parents of children in years R-5 and a virtual meeting between 4:00-7:00pm for parents of pupils in year 6. The Year 6 virtual meeting with your child will be posted on Google Classroom. If you did not send back your form, we have sent you a time convenient for us. Please email the school office if this needs to be changed.

DSA



A reminder that the DSA have organised another Bags2School collection from the Memorial Hall on **Tuesday 4 May between 8:00-9:00am** for those of you having a clear out of unwanted clothes.

Finally a reminder that next week is four day school week with the Bank holiday on Monday 4 May.

Take care and keep safe

Kind regards

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