



Dear Parents

This week, we are back into the usual school routines. The Bikeability trainers for our year 5 and 6 children were extremely impressed with how well they all listened and their cycling skills this year with all of the children at least achieving Level 1 and many going on to achieve level 2. We played in our first sporting competition of the season with a Year 3

I am delighted to see that children are getting into school on time this term. A reminder that the school register is taken at 9:00am and any pupils arriving after 9:10am will be considered an unauthorised absence. If your child is going to be late, please can you telephone the school office to enable us to inform the class teacher.

DSA AGM

The DSA will be holding their annual General Meeting on Tuesday 20 September at 7:30pm in school. If you would like to join the school association or just come along and hear about their good works, you are most welcome.

PARENT GOVERNOR ELECTIONS

Information will be coming out to you tomorrow regarding our parent Governor elections. We are very fortunate to have three candidates for two parent Governor positions. Each parent or guardian at Durley school has a right to vote. You will receive a voting form and candidate statements along with two unsealed envelopes. One will have your name on it, please ensure your completed ballot paper is put in the envelope marked 'Ballot Paper' and returned inside the one with your name on it. The closing date for all votes is Friday 30 September 2016.

SPONSORED FANCY DRESS FAMILY FUN RUN

This year we thought it would be fun to have a bit of a change to our sponsored event with a fancy dress family fun run. We would love to encourage parents, grandparents to bring along trainers and join in the run. There will be two venues depending on fitness and age with our younger children running around the school field with a maximum of 6 laps and our older (or fitter) children running across the road opposite the school into the woods and around the golf course! Your child should have brought home a Sponsored Fancy Dress Family Fun Run form this week to be passed around your family and friends for our sponsored sports event on **Wednesday 28 September at 1:30pm**. Please can you ensure that your child brings their sponsorship card into school on that day so that it can be signed on completion of the activities. He/she will need to bring a fancy dress costume in a named carrier bag with trainers or plimsolls in school on that day. We will also be having a cake sale for the Macmillan Cancer Care. All donations of cakes and help with selling cakes and drinks will be very welcome.

SHOE BOX APPEAL

We are supporting the Rotary Club shoe box appeal once again this year, and would like filled up shoe boxes to be brought into school on **Thursday 20 October**. Additional leaflets with details of what can be included in the shoe box are in the entrance area.

HARVEST FESTIVAL

The school harvest festival will be held in the school hall on **Thursday 29 September at 9:15am**. We would be most grateful for donations of food and toiletries to be brought into school on that day, enabling us to take them along to the Hedge End Food Bank for distribution (please see the attached list of items that are needed). Everyone is most welcome to come and join the service.

HARVEST LUNCH

We will also be holding our Harvest lunch for parents and preschool children to join their school age children for lunch in the school hall on Thursday 29 September **at midday**. *Please can you ensure that food orders are in school by Friday 23rd September.*

PARKING

Please ensure that you show consideration to other road users when parking on the road outside the school. Unfortunately there is no parking available on the school track, and turning in the entrance to the track is extremely dangerous with small children crossing the pavement. There is parking available at the Memorial Hall and Quob Stables at the start and end of the school day.

CHURCH IN SCHOOL

The family service will be in Durley School hall this **Sunday 18 September at 10:00am**. Everyone is very welcome to come along.

Kirstie Baines - Headteacher