


Dame Dorothy Primary School Weekly Newsletter

What's gone on... 23rd March - 27th March

Star of the Week

There are so many stars from Nursery and Reception we can't fit them on! Names can be seen in the windows outside the Nursery and Reception classrooms.

Year 1	Neha Mahmood
Year 2	Arya Brown
Year 3	Ryley Taylor
Year 4	Emily Graham
Year 5	Endijs Simkus
Year 6	William Stafford

House Group Winners!	Best Class Attendance	Whole School Attendance
RED	Year 4 97%	95.7% 

Remember, our whole school target is above 95%.



Head Teacher's Award
Adomas Simkus



A group of 8 children went along to Monkwearmouth annual tennis tournament on Tuesday. Children were given several tasks to do testing their skills and they were marked on how well they did. Of the four teams that attended many of the games were very close as was the final result! Unfortunately we were pipped at the post by Redby when the final scores were reckoned up- we lost by one point! It couldn't have been any closer but the children loved the experience and some fabulous talent was uncovered. Well done to everyone.



On Monday year 1 were very happy when 10 eggs arrived in their classroom. They are hen's eggs and we are hoping all 10 of them will hatch into fluffy yellow chicks in time for Easter. So far we have 4 chicks, keep an eye on our website for regular updates on their progress.



House Point Champions: Yellow are our runaway winners for this term and they received their individual biscuits which they decorated this week with the help of our new cook Mrs Barrington.



What an amazing day year 3 have had at their second visit to Broom House Farm in County Durham. First of all, I must congratulate the children for their exceptional behaviour on the journey to the farm as well as their behaviour throughout the visit. Our first visit was in September. So our visit today allowed us to see the farm life in a different season. Many of the animals are having their babies now and we had the privilege of seeing newly born lambs. They were just gorgeous! We also saw piglets with the mother sow; they were extremely noisy, squeaking and grunting away! Throughout the day the children visited the free range hens and some brave children even held them. We collected the eggs and learned about the food that chickens need to eat to make a healthy egg. At the end of the day we visited the nature trail, all the children had fun playing on the slide, zip wire and climbing frames.



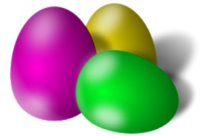


What's on... 30th March - 2nd April



The Nursery and Reception children will perform a selection of songs of an Easter theme on Tuesday 31st at 9:30am. This will be followed by the Easter Bonnet parade. Nigel from Tesco will be judging this event and has already provided prizes. There will also be a chance to view the decorated eggs that the children designed at home and made in school.

We will be holding our Easter service on the afternoon of Wednesday 1st April in school at 2pm. The service is being taken by the children in year 3 and 4. Parents and carers are welcome to come along to watch.



All the children from Year 1 to Year 6 will be decorating eggs in school on Monday 30th March. All entries will be judged by The Friends of Dame Dorothy (PTA) on Wednesday 1st April.

Chocolate Egg Hunt: Our annual chocolate egg hunt is always a popular event. We will be scattering chocolate eggs to the far corners of the playground and sending the children off to collect as many as they can for their class to share and eat.



We are now just one week away from our end of term attendance assembly. The prizes have been on show in the entrance for some time now and our 100% attenders for this term and for the whole year so far are eagerly eyeing up which one they would like. The link between good attendance and high achievement is indisputable and that is why we ask parents to make every effort to get their child into school every day and on time. We will show some photos of the prize winners next week.

The **school photographer** will be in school on Tuesday 21st April, our second day back after Easter. A letter will be sent out before we break up with further details.

Black Belt Champion—Rebecca Adie: It is lovely to recognise the sporting ability of our children both inside and outside of school. Last week we acknowledged the efforts of Lacy-May and Ellie this week it is the turn of our year 5 pupil Rebecca Adie. Rebecca has shown enormous dedication, determination and hard work to achieve her black belt in karate. Rebecca came dressed for the occasion in Friday assembly and tested her skills out on Mr Williamson! Well done Rebecca.



Special Easter Lunch Wednesday 1st April

Spring Chicken Pie or Veggie Pie, Sausage or veggie sausage in a bun with sauce.
Herby diced potatoes, sweetcorn or carrots
A selection of Easter cakes or biscuits

Grab & Go Lunch Thursday 2nd April

Burgers in a bun with cheese (tomato sauce optional), Chicken nuggets and chips
Ice cream tubs

The Anti-Bullying Coordinators for the school are, Mrs Burdon Mrs Maughan. Please use the link to the school website to view the Anti-bullying policy

Reminders for upcoming events:

- 30.03 Egg decorating in school—please bring items to decorate the eggs
- 31.03 (Tuesday) EYFS Easter singalong 9.30 am
- 01.04 Easter Service **2pm in school**
- 02.04 Attendance Assembly
- 02.04 School closed normal time today for holidays
- 20.04 Children return to school
- 21.04 School photographer
- 11.05 SATs week—year 6

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