



DUNSTER FIRST SCHOOL NEWS



Dear Parents and Carers,

Welcome back to the second half of the Spring Term.



Firstly a big well done to the teams of gymnasts who travelled to Whirlwinds Academy in Wellington last week for the Gymnastic Competition they all done amazing.

We have had an amazing Book Week this week. The week started with children visiting Steve Manning, story teller, in our school library. It was wonderful for them to be able to listen to on oral story teller, a person who does not use books to tell stories, just his imagination. The children were engrossed. Every class has visited the Book Fair and thank you to all of those who have supported it during the week by taking children to buy books, it is much appreciated.



The children had an amazing day at Dunster Castle. All the children were able to visit and have a session with a story teller, make a book mark and have a hot chocolate. Staff, children, volunteers and the castle staff all said what a great day it was and it is something we will be doing again! A big thank you to Amy and Barney at the castle for organising this event.

Author Emma Bettridge visited the school on Wednesday. She brought with her, her dog Nell! Emma told the children all about how she became an author and read them some of her stories. She also showed the children her log book full of her ideas and workings and she brought in illustrations from the artist. The children had chance to ask questions. It was a really interesting session, again, enjoyed by all.



Today saw our traditional Book Character Parade where the children walked around the playground in their amazing costumes-thank you for helping them to prepare for the day-it has been great fun! Especially when Merlins class burgled the burglar!



A reminder that Bingo tickets are selling fast! They are 50p per adult and children tickets are free. Next Friday is non uniform day. Please bring in an Easter Egg or chocolate donation. Any raffle donations will also be much appreciated.

Thank you for your support.

Have a lovely weekend with your families.



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Head of School



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Awards

Star of the week Rex for his amazing independent writing and Reggie H for excellent reading.

Merlins - Kindness Award Lincoln for beautiful manners and Frankie for being kind to his friends and also Theo for being happy and polite.

Achievement Award—Pippa for beautiful writing and Leia for brilliant maths.

Hawks —Kindness Award Emma for always helping with the jobs in class and Ethan for working well with others.

Achievement Award—Bonnie for working so hard on her phonics and Wilfred for his amazing attitude.

Kestrels - Kindness Award Scarlett for focusing well on her work and Herbie for always trying his best.

Achievement Award Alaina for recording maths sums and Olive for her detailed art work.

Falcons - Kindness Award Amber for supporting her friends and Alex and Ben for being amazing teachers.

Achievement Award—Ella for unbelievable bravery and Rosie for brilliant behaviour for learning.



Key Dates:

10/3-Chicks arrive for Falcons Class

10/3 Kelly Twiss well being workshop 2 (Invite to follow)

10/3 Science Fair

14/3 Non uniform day.

21/3 Easter Bingo

27/3-Whole school visit to Tallest Tree Relaunch

3/4 Road Safety workshop

4/4 Easter Holidays

