



# Dove CE (VC) First School

## Newsletter

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Issue 8

### Spectacular Science!

We are delighted to announce that our school has been awarded the Primary Science Quality Mark.

Primary Science Quality Marks have been awarded to 200 infant, junior, first, primary, middle and special schools to celebrate a commitment to excellence in science teaching and learning.

We would like to thank Mrs Taylor who has led on this and to all staff for their hard work in developing the way we teach science in school. We can now proudly display this logo.



### Sponsored walk

We are looking forward to our sponsored walk on Friday 24<sup>th</sup> May to raise money for the charity feed the hungry.

The school council are organizing this event and we hope you can support them as they have done a fantastic job.

Please send completed sponsor forms in next week no later than Fri 24<sup>th</sup>.

Money can be collected over half term and brought in on Monday 3<sup>rd</sup> June when the food packing event will take place.

### FOD Disco cancelled

Unfortunately due to a lack of volunteers the friends of the Dove disco has had to be cancelled.

We have not made this decision lightly – as always the safety of our children is paramount and we did not have enough volunteers to fulfill safety requirements.

### Reading support

As you know we are continuously working hard to raise the standards of reading in school and we strongly encourage pupils to read at home daily to an adult. In order to further support children in school with their reading we would love to be able to hear them read more often. We are asking for volunteers who could spare some time to come and listen to children read. If you can spare any time during the school day on a regular basis to help with this please speak to Mrs Fabi or Miss Scott.

### Warm weather

As we have had some lovely weather recently please can you send children into school with sun hats.

Please can you also apply an all-day sun cream before school. If your child needs to top this up at lunchtime please send in a named bottle of sun cream. Children can only use sun cream sent in by their parents to avoid allergic reactions.

In Robins class staff will support children to apply sun cream as necessary if you do not wish this to happen please speak to the school office.

## Summer Term Topics

### Robins

Summer 1 – Seaside holidays

Summer 2 – Grand designs / Terrific transport

### Blackbirds

Summer 1 – Houses and homes

Summer 2 – Katie Morag an Island home

### Owls

Summer 1 – Romans

Summer 2 – The UK and extreme weather

### Eagles

Spring 1 – Romans

Spring 2 – Volcanoes and earthquakes

## Upcoming Events

**27<sup>th</sup> -31<sup>st</sup> May – Half term**

**3<sup>rd</sup> June** – Feed the Hungry event – details to follow

**3<sup>rd</sup> July parent meeting for new intake**

**3<sup>rd</sup> + 4<sup>th</sup> July** – Transition days

**10<sup>th</sup>-12<sup>th</sup> July** - Whitemoor Lakes trip yr4

**19<sup>th</sup> July** – Last day of summer term

## Walk to school week

It's walk to school week 20<sup>th</sup> May -24<sup>th</sup> May. We are encouraging all of the children to walk to school for the following reasons:

- It helps to keep us healthy and alert – research shows children who walk to school are more alert in the classroom
- It helps to keep us safe by reducing traffic around school
- It is good for the environment
- It improves children's road safety
- It is fun!

Children who walk to school all week will receive a certificate on Friday.

## Reminders to parents

### Car Park Reminder

For the safety of all children at Dove and Ryecroft please do not park on the School car park.

### Punctuality

Please ensure your child arrives at school on time and is collected promptly at the end of the day. Children miss out on valuable learning when they are late for school.

### P.E.

If your child has long hair it needs to be tied up for P.E. If your child wears tights to school please send in a pair of socks for them to change into for P.E. lessons. Thank you.

Earrings need to be removed for all P.E. lessons and clubs children will not be able to join in with lessons or sports clubs if they have earrings in.