

February Edition

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Hello Everyone!

It is hard to believe that we are half way through the school year and well into the second month of 2019!

Every year we focus on our anti-bullying work, beginning in November with anti-bullying week. We have renewed our anti-bullying charter and all pupils and staff have signed up to this. It states very clearly that bullying is wrong and we do not want it to happen at Dothill. If it does happen we will take action to make it stop. This year the pupils have all signed shapes with bells to help to remind us to 'Make a noise about bullying!'.



It would be great if you could also sign up to our anti-bullying charter. The parents' statements are below:

- We believe that bullying is wrong and we do not want it to happen at Dothill.
- We will not stand by and allow bullies to get away with it.
- We will give our children the chance to talk to us about their worries or concerns.
- We will report any concerns about bullying to school and work with them to deal with any issues.

Please sign and return the slip on page 3 to show your support. Thank you.

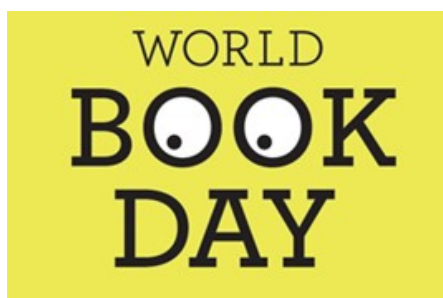
Dinner Money Increase

Please note that Telford and Wrekin are increasing the price of a school dinner to £2.30 from 1st April 2019.

World Book Day

Dothill will be celebrating World Book Day on **Friday 8th March**. (We know that officially it is 7th March but due to swimming taking place on that day we are celebrating a day late.)

This year each class/year group will be choosing an author and children will be encouraged to dress as a character from one of this author's stories. There should be more information given to your children from the class teacher before half term.



It would be great to see children following the theme for their class/year group but we also understand that some outfits have been planned months in advance! If your child already has a costume planned that doesn't fit the theme then don't worry too much about that. Go with what you have planned - it is the opportunity to talk about books for the day that matters most, not the costume!

KS1 Kwik Cricket Competition

KS1 Kwik Cricket at Telford Tennis Centre.
Friday 18th January 2019

Thomas, Millie, Toby, Harriet, Holly,
Finlay, Ava, & Finley



Comic Relief

Red Nose Day takes place on Friday 15th March this year. We are taking a low key approach to this event as we are aware that we have had a number of 'special' days so far this year and have asked you to contribute to many charities/events.

There will be collection boxes in every classroom if you would like to make a donation but pupils will **NOT** be wearing mufti on this day.

Swimming Sessions

In the Spring Term our Year 3 children and some Year 6 children have swimming lessons at Shortwood Pool. We are very grateful to Mr Murphy, a parent who is also a qualified swimming instructor, who has volunteered to help with our swimming sessions this year.

Arrows Archery Competition

KS2 Competition at Wrekin College.
Tuesday 15th January 2019

6S: Freya, Sophie, Rosie, Tess,
Luke, & Filip

6SJ: Carly, Katie, Katie, Dylan,
Felix, & Connor



A message from the Safeguarding Squad

Working together to keep everyone safe at Dothill.

"If you ride your bike to school, remember to wear a helmet.
Please make sure that you walk your bike
around the school site."



Smart Watches in School

Please be aware that smart watches, or any other device with access to the internet, should not be worn in school. If a child forgets, we will keep the watch safe in the office until the end of the day.

Glow day

On Friday 18th January we held our first Glow Day. This was a fabulous day where children wore bright colours and participated in a wide range of sensory activities.



Thank you to 5L for the photos of their 'clingfilm art'. With your support we raised £518.75 towards the development of our Sensory Room.

Y5/6 Basketball Tournament



Y5/6 Basketball at Charlton.
Tuesday 22nd January 2019

6S: Grace, Millie, Mia, Freya,
Will, Kieran, & Thomas

6SJ: Bailey, Isabella, Lucy,
Elizabeth, & William



Opportunities for Sporting Activities

There are currently a number of sporting clubs that are advertising spaces - the basic details are below - get in touch with the clubs for more information.

SHROPSHIRE WARRIORS GIRLS BASKETBALL

Tuesdays 7pm—8pm at HLC Telford TF1 5BA
For girls 6+

SHROPSHIRE WARRIORS MINIS BASKETBALL

Tuesdays 6pm—7pm at HLC Telford TF1 5BA
Ages 6-11

SHROPSHIRE RAWZONE BASKETBALL

Mondays 6pm—7pm at Holy Trinity Academy TF2 9SF
Ages 5+

Phone Lester 07776 256003 for more details

TELFORD VESPAS MINI RUGBY

Saturdays 10am—11am at Shortwood primary School TF1 2JA
Ages 4-6

Phone Steve 07708 596854 for more details

Please tear off and return to school

Parents' Anti-Bullying Charter

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Name..... Signed..... Date.....

Diary Dates

Wednesday 13th February 2019	PTA Friends Winter Disco - see flyers sent out/website
Thursday 14th February 2019	Y5/6 Indoor Kwik Cricket at Telford Tennis Centre - see letter sent to selected children
Monday 18th February 2019 to Friday 22nd February 2019	Spring Half-Term Holiday
Monday 25th February 2019	PD Day - no children in school
Tuesday 26th February 2019	First day of second half of Spring Term
Wednesday 27th February 2019	Y6 trip to Jackfield Tile Museum - see letter dated 16th January 2019
Friday 1st March 2019	Y5 Maths Challenge at Wrekin College (selected children) - 1:00pm to 3:30pm - letters have been sent to selected children
Thursday 7th March 2019	World Book Day - see information in this newsletter and note WE ARE CELEBRATING THIS ON FRIDAY 8TH MARCH
Friday 8th March 2019	World Book Day event at Dothill - see information in this newsletter
Wednesday 13th March 2019	Open Morning for current parents/carers 9:00am to 9:30am - a chance to look at your child's books
Friday 15th March 2019	Red Nose Day - see information in this newsletter (note - we are NOT having a mufti day)
Wednesday 20th March 2019	Dothill Choir at Telford Sings - see letter sent to choir members dated 25th January 2019
Thursday 21st March 2019	School Photo Day - individual and class groups
Tuesday 2nd April 2019 and Thursday 4th April 2019	Parents' Meetings 3:30pm-6:00pm - letters will be sent out on 26th February 2019
Tuesday 2nd April 2019 to Friday 5th April 2019	Y4 Easter Experience at All Saints Church - more details to follow
Tuesday 9th April 2019	Y3/4 Performance (1 of 2) 2:00pm to 3:00pm - please complete the ticket request form sent out on Monday 11th February 2019. Please return by 9am on Friday 8th March 2019. Tickets will be issued on Friday 22nd March 2019.
Wednesday 10th April 2019	Y3/4 Performance (2 of 2) 9:30am to 10:30am - please complete the ticket request form sent out on Monday 11th February 2019. Please return by 9am on Friday 8th March 2019. Tickets will be issued on Friday 22nd March 2019.
Thursday 11th April 2019	Easter Family Fun Trail (run by PTA Friends) - more details to follow
Friday 12th April 2019	Last day of Spring Term
Monday 15th April 2019 to Friday 26th April 2019	Holiday
Monday 29th April 2019	First day of Summer Term
Monday 6th May 2019	Bank Holiday - no children in school
Friday 10th May 2019	Y4 Maths Challenge at Old Hall School, Wrekin College (for selected children) - 1:00pm to 3:30pm - more details to follow
Thursday 16th May 2019	Themed Lunch - menu will be added to the website nearer the time. No need to book, pay on the day/ensure your child's account is in credit at least 24 hours in advance
Monday 27th May 2019 to Friday 31st May 2019	Summer Half-Term Holiday
Monday 3rd June 2019	PD Day - no children in school
Monday 17th June 2019 to Friday 21st June 2019	Y6 STAR programme - afternoons in school
Wednesday 19th June 2019	Open Morning for current parents/carers 9:00am to 9:30am - a chance to look at your child's books
Tuesday 25th June 2019	KS2 Sports Day - 9:30am to approx. 11:00am - on the field
Thursday 27th June 2019	EYFS/KS1 Sports Day - 9:30am to approx. 11:00am - on the field
Friday 28th June 2019	Summer Fair - more details to follow
Monday 8th July 2019 and Tuesday 9th July 2019	Y6-7 Secondary Transfer Days for Charlton School
Wednesday 17th July 2019	Y5/6 Performance (1 of 2) 1:30pm to 2:30pm - more details to follow
Thursday 18th July 2019	Y5/6 Performance (2 of 2) 9:30am to 10:30am - more details to follow
Thursday 18th July 2019	Themed Lunch - menu will be added to the website nearer the time. No need to book, pay on the day/ensure your child's account is in credit at least 24 hours in advance
Thursday 18th July 2019	PTA Friends Summer Disco - more information to follow from PTA Friends
Friday 19th July 2019	Last day of Summer Term/school year (PD Day Monday 22nd July 2019)