

Dry Drayton C of E (C) Primary School

Newsletter – 11th July June 2025



'I pray that your love for each other will overflow more and more, and that you will keep on growing in knowledge and understanding.' Philippians 1:9

Dear parents and carers,

Well done to our Celebration Collective Worship leaders (4th July Laura and Leon, 11th July Leon and Chris).

This morning we said thank you and farewell to Mrs Watson as she finishes her temporary contract with us now that Miss Corr has started her teacher training here at Dry Drayton. We are very grateful to Mrs Watson for looking after the class since January, for helping them through their SATS and for exciting, money making projects! We sent her off with some lovely home treats and plants. Thank you, Mrs Watson!

This week, many of us were treated to a wonderful production of Treasure Island by KS2. The acting, singing and dancing were splendid, they really held the audience's attention with their wonderful characters and jokes. Well done to all the staff and parents who helped with the production. There are photos further on in the newsletter.

We are trialling send reports electronically this year, well almost! You will have been sent messages about this on MCAS and how to find your child's report. Some children are also coming home with results if they have completed any statutory assessments. All will have their own reflections written in beautiful handwriting. We are trying to be environmentally aware by reducing the use of paper.

Sports Day 9am Tuesday 15th due to the hot and sunny weather forecast for the day

Don't forget to send your child into school wearing PE kit with a top in the colour of their house team. Hair ties and socks in house colours are acceptable too. Please don't forget a hat, water bottle and come to school wearing sun screen. You are welcome to stay at drop off as we aim to start at 9am. If there is equipment on the playground, please may you leave it alone and keep you child beside you, thanks. Do bring a chair and umbrella for shade if you wish.

We look forward to seeing you at other end of year events:

Celebration Collective Worship, the final one for the year 9am Friday 18th

Leavers' Church Service 9am Wednesday 23rd

Leavers' Assembly 2.15pm Wednesday 23rd

Have a lovely weekend and keep cool!

Kind regards,
Sonia Hegan



Small school.



Big hearts.



Big ambitions.



St Julian class

Reception: This week in Reception, we have been looking at the story 'Dear Zoo'. We have created our own zoo and written labels for the animals.

In Maths, we have been learning about measure and we have been measuring the zoo animal toys with cubes and comparing them. In PE, we have been practising hard for sports day, we hope you can make it! On Monday, we had the privilege to watch the KS2 production 'Treasure Island', it was fantastic!

Year 1/2: This week, the Year 1/2s have been working hard in all of their learning despite the hot, sticky weather. In English they have made amazing settings and I am looking forward to them using it to write some fabulous settings descriptions next week. In science the children have been learning about the different food groups and why they need it. Next week we have another busy week with lots of curriculum areas to finish and a sports day to take part in.



St Etheldreda class

Well done to all the children on a fantastic summer play. Lots of hard work in learning songs, lines and dances was rewarded with a brilliant show. I hope that all family members who were able to watch enjoyed the performance, and thank you so much for all help at home in learning lines, songs and providing costumes.

The children have also worked hard to complete their end of term/year assessment this week - no mean feat given the heat! Well done to them all.

There is lots to look forward to over the next few weeks. As well as all the exciting end of term events, we will be finishing off our Come to Chellington leaflets in English, and doing work on shape and geometry in maths.

Have a lovely weekend!



St Edmund class

St Edmunds have been busy with Treasure Island and really enjoyed sharing this fantastic performance with parents and carers!

We had a sparkling set of results for the Year 6 in their SATS, they have worked so hard this year and should be incredibly proud of all the progress they have made

The children have been busy with their £5 project - business loans have been released by Ms Arnold on Wednesday. The children will be selling their exciting and creative products on Tuesday 15th July after school and Friday 18th July after school. Please have your small change ready to raise funds for charities and school supplies! (See their adverts below!)

KS2 Production

Year 5/6 have been working hard over the last few weeks on their production of Treasure Island and put on two fabulous performances on Wednesday and Thursday this week. Well done to all of the children, and thank you to Mrs Watson, Mrs Fairbairn, Miss Hampton, Mrs Sweetnam and Miss Corr for pulling it all together.




£5 Challenge


St Edmund's class have been set a £5 challenge – to come up with a business plan using a £5 investment to raise money for school or a charity of their choice. After business plans were pitched to Ms Arnold, each team was awarded the £5 investment and will be selling their products after school on Tuesday 15th and Friday 18th July. Please do come along and support their efforts!

Crafty queens




What we are making







LUCKY DIP !!!



Book marks
Claws
Bracelets
Hair braids
Hair clips
Hair bands

Where the money is going to :





Arthur Rank Hospice Charity
making every moment count

DELICIOUS DELIGHTS

MENU

SMALL LEMONADE: 75p
LARGE LEMONADE: £1.00
BANANA CAKE SLICE: 75p
SCONES: £1.00
(STRAWBERRY JAM OR WIPPED CREAM OR BOTH)




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Donating to Great Ormond Street Hospital for children and Woodgreen Pets Charity.

By Ivy, Victoria, Erica and Annabel

Poké






All profit will be donated to school art supplies.

STOP

LBL food

We will be selling:

- Brownies £1.50 per one/ £2.50 per two
- Lemonade 50p per cup
- popcorn 50p for a bag

We will be doing it on Tuesday 15th July 3:30 pm so please bring money in cash. We do not accept card.

Everything we make will go to the school sports equipment.

You can also donate to us 😊

By: Leon Buddy and Laura



Fundraising committee update: Get Your Lead On

Please raise money for Arthur Rank Hospice Charity!

This September, dog owners can walk 90km to help those who need end of life care.

The perfect source of exercise! The perfect way to raise money!

We are encouraging people to do it because we have already fundraised for Arthur Rank. Here is the QR code so you can register.



Forest School Summer 2025



Forest School sessions take place every week on the following days. Please ensure that your child always has their Forest School Gear at school which is a pair of wellies plus a waterproof jacket and trousers (or an all in one). Remember, it's never the wrong weather, it's the wrong clothes, so please don't let your child miss out. We have some second-hand wellies in school if you need to borrow them, so do ask in the office. We are happy to have any

outgrown waterproofs for our spares. PLEASE LABEL ALL CLOTHES AND SHOES.

Infants – Mondays (No need to wear PE kit. School uniform, plus Forest School gear will be fine.)

KS2 – Tuesdays This year KS2 will have either half a term of Forest School or of DT, they will then swap for the following half term.

In addition to these, each year group will have a whole afternoon of Forest School on the following **Wednesdays**. Please send your child to school in PE kit including their PE sweatshirt (and not a hoodie).

Date	Year Group
Wednesday 9 th July	Year 2
Wednesday 16 th July	Year 1
Wednesday 23 rd July	Last day – no Forest School

Safeguarding at Dry Drayton C of E Primary School

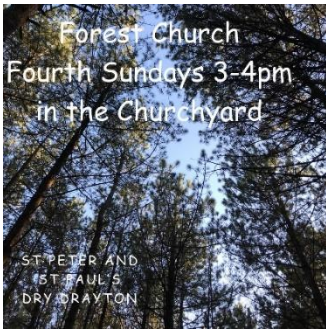
Mrs Sonia Hegan, Mrs Nicole Spink and Mrs Fiona Sweetnam are the designated safeguarding leads at Dry Drayton C of E Primary School.

If you have a concern about a child, please inform **any** member of staff.

If you think a child is at immediate risk of harm you can access further advice and guidance here:

<https://www.cambridgeshire.gov.uk/residents/children-and-families/children-s-social-care/safeguarding-children-and-child-protection/>

Church update



Forest Church

Forest Church takes place on the fourth Sunday of the month, 3-4pm in the Churchyard. The next Forest Church will be Sunday 27th July.



St Peter and St Paul's Dry Drayton
A small church with a big heart

Forest Church is a service for all ages, and everyone is welcome! There will be a bible story, songs and craft, with lots of space to run about, explore nature and make noise during this short, informal service. The service meets outdoors whatever the weather so do please come prepared and wrapped up warm!

Online safety tip of the week: laptops



How to start a conversation with your child about using a laptop safely: What would you do if something worrying or upsetting happened on your laptop?

You can ask them about the places they can go to find the safety advice, find out what they know about privacy settings, and ask them how to report or block on the services they use.

Find more online safety tips here: <https://saferinternet.org.uk/guide-and-resource/parents-and-carers>

Celebration Collective Worship

4th July

Headteacher Awards were awarded to Sammy, John-Thomas, Jamie and Laura.

Grace, Sammy, Benedict and Jamie were chosen to sit on the **golden table** the next week with a friend of their choosing.

Well done to Gian for achieving his **Silver** certificate for 200 house points and to Grace for achieving her **Gold** certificate for 300 house points.







11th July

Headteacher Awards were awarded to Halle, Paige and Fergal, and all of KS2 for their fantastic Treasure Island performances.

Isabella, Jason, Laura and Leon were chosen to sit on the **golden table** the next week with a friend of their choosing.



Well done to Benedict, Millie and Paige for achieving their **Silver** certificate for 200 house points, to Buddy, Darya, Isabelle, Jamie and Sammy for achieving their **Gold** certificate for 300 house points and to James H and Raphael for achieving their **Platinum** certificate for 400 house points.

		House Points		
Totals for w/c 30th June				
Ennis - 32 Farah - 32 Simmonds - 45 Wiggins - 17				
Totals for last week				
Ennis - 233 Farah - 181 Simmonds - 220 Wiggins - 265				
Totals for the year so far				
Ennis - 4,014 Farah - 4,124 Simmonds - 4,049 Wiggins - 4,227				

Proposed Diary Dates New dates added in red.

Tuesday 15 th July	Sports Day – 9am on the school field, this has been moved to the morning due to the hot and sunny forecast for the day
Friday 18 th July	Final Celebration collective Worship of the year – all welcome – 9.00am
Tuesday 22 nd July	Forest School fun morning and picnic – whole school
Wednesday 23 rd July	Year 6 Leavers’ service in the church – all welcome – 9.00am Year 6 Leavers’ Assembly in the hall – all welcome – 2.15pm End of term
Monday 1 st & Tuesday 2 nd September	Staff training days
Wednesday 3 rd September	Children return to school 8.40am

Don't forget full term dates, curriculum information, photo gallery and lots more can be found on our website: www.drydraytonprimaryschool.co.uk

CAXTON ARTS FESTIVAL

13TH - 17TH AUGUST

JOIN US FOR FIVE ACTION-PACKED DAYS OF LIVE SHOWS, EXCLUSIVE PERFORMANCES AND LOCAL CULTURE IN BEAUTIFUL RURAL CAMBRIDGESHIRE!

 <p style="font-size: x-small;">SLEEPING BEAUTY The summer youth musical production of the iconic fairytale TICKETS £5</p>	 <p style="font-size: x-small;">THE COMEDY NIGHT Enjoy a hilarious night of comedy from the award-winning 'Comedy in a Van' pop-up show TICKETS £23 (LOCALS PRICE £18)</p>	 <p style="font-size: x-small;">THE BEATLES FOR SALE Bringing the sound and style of the world's biggest and most influential band TICKETS £22 (LOCALS PRICE £18)</p>	 <p style="font-size: x-small;">SUPERSONIC SCIENCE SHOW An interactive science spectacular, packed with fun-filled experiments and demonstrations TICKETS FROM £10</p>
 <p style="font-size: x-small;">MAMMA MIA NIGHT</p>	 <p style="font-size: x-small;">IMPROMPTU</p>	 <p style="font-size: x-small;">PETER PAN</p>	 <p style="font-size: x-small;">WATSON</p>

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Do you know anyone studying for their Maths GCSE exam in 2026? Local resident and maths teacher Tasha, will be running a small tuition group here at Dry Drayton School, starting in September on a Tuesday evening. Please pass this advert onto any student that may be interested in the extra support that she offers. All money raised is donated to our school.

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GCSE MATHS

ADMISSION OPEN

Past Paper Club

- Weekly Past Paper Practice
- Taught and supervised by experienced Maths teacher
- Individual attention
- Max class size of 6
- £5/lesson with all money donated to Dry Drayton CofE Primary School
- Preparation for exams



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