

Durrington Infant & Junior Federated Schools

Week ending
18th January 2019



SPRING TERM

Term Begins:

Thursday 3.1.19

Half term:

18.2.19 to 22.2.19

INSET DAY 25.2.19

Term Ends:

Friday 5.4.19

SUMMER TERM

Term Begins:

Tuesday 23.4.19

Half term:

27.5.19 to 31.5.19

INSET DAY 3.6.19

Term Ends:

Tuesday 23.7.19

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News Roundup

Welcome back to the start of a new year! Doesn't Christmas seem like so long ago now? All the children are back and have started their new Spring term topics.

The nursery children were very excited to see their smartboard was lowered over the holidays so they no longer need to use a step to reach it. They have really enjoyed using it to play games and draw. The children have also been colour mixing with paint and have been inspired by some of the stories they heard, to learn about wolves and foxes.

Spring in reception is always about being 'down on the farm!' They have been using the sounds they know to spell animal names and have been drawing their favourite farm animals to make a pictogram.

Year 1 and 2 are starting their topic on being British and have begun by learning about themselves. They have all made memory boxes and brought in items from when they were babies to put in them. They have then shared these with the class and written about them.

There was an Antarctica day last week for the children in years 3 and 4. They put on their warmest clothes and set about proving that they were the perfect candidates to go on an expedition. The day included lots of team building exercises including physical tests and brain puzzles.

To start their topic on space, year 5 had a trip to the Planetarium. They saw thousands of stars in the star theatre and journeyed to the moon and then through the whole solar system.

Year 6 had a visit from 'Mexicolore' and took part in some Mayan music workshops as well as working with Aztec and Mayan artefacts. They also role played some ancient rituals.

200 CLUB

Don't forget you still have time to join our '200 club' for the rest of the year.

Application forms are in the office and £8 will enter you into our monthly draws until the end of the summer term.

This is a great way to raise some extra money for school funds and gives you the chance to win a cash prize every month.

If you join before 25th January you will also be entered into the end of term bonus draws.

PE CLOTHES

If they have not already done so, please can your child bring in some jogging bottoms for outdoor PE.

The weather is very cold at the moment and we still go outside for lessons.

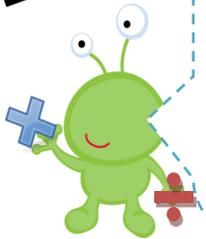
ATTENDANCE

Well done to the 182 children who achieved 100% attendance during the autumn term and also to all the classes who have earned rewards in school to celebrate good attendance.

Pi's Challenges

Pi, our Maths Mascot has set the children a challenge.
Answers can be emailed to Pi - we wonder if he will reply?

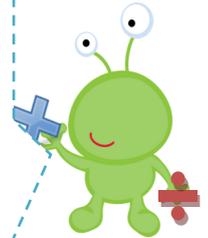
KS1 challenge



Q: Pi is looking forward to when the sunshine comes out more. He thinks it will start appearing more in March, how many months must he wait?

Email your answer to Pi, at durringtonpi@dfed.co.uk

KS2 challenge



Q: Pi noticed that if you draw the digit 8 with straight edges it has 8 angles. Does this work for all the digits in our number system?

Email your answer to Pi, at durringtonpi@dfed.co.uk

Reception challenge



Q: What month of the year are we in now? What month comes next?

Email your answers to Pi, at durringtonpi@dfed.co.uk

Summer Tombola

As usual, we shall be running our tombola stall at Durrington festival in June.

There will be mufti days later in the term to collect items for the stall, however if you received any duplicate presents over Christmas, or have any unwanted toiletries, toys or gift items, you are very welcome to bring them into the school office for us to use.

Uniform

Just a reminder that our uniform standards remain high.

If a child is not wearing the correct clothing or footwear, we have a supply of items in the Hub for them to change into whilst they are in school.

If you have any problems providing uniform or black shoes for your child, please come and speak to us.

Education Recruitment Fair

West Sussex County Council are holding a recruitment fair on Saturday 2nd February from 10am til 2pm at the Premier Lounge at Fontwell Park Racecourse.

If you are interested in working in education or becoming a school governor, there will be lots of advice and information available for you.