

# Durrington Infant & Junior Federated Schools

Week ending  
28th September 2018



## AUTUMN TERM

INSET DAY 3.9.18 & 4.9.18

### Term Begins:

Wednesday 5.9.18

INSET DAY 19.10.18

### Half term:

22.10.18 to 26.10.18

### Term Ends:

Wednesday 19.12.18

## 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

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## News Roundup

It's been another busy fortnight at Durrington. Everyone has settled back into the school routine following the summer break.

This week the nursery class have been mark making using paint. They have been trying out all kinds of rollers and pads to make their pictures. Outside, the children have enjoyed playing with their brand new caterpillar tunnel.

The children in reception have already learnt so many new sounds since they have been with us and have been thinking of words that begin with them. They have been meeting the characters from our school reading books, starting with Kipper and the 'lovely' cake he makes for his toy's party!

The mysterious eggs in the year 1 and 2 classrooms have hatched. The children found clues which helped them discover that they were dragon's eggs! They have been drawing their own dragons and thinking of lots of words to describe them.

The Roman topic in years 3 and 4 has got very exciting, with the children learning about volcanoes and studying Pompeii.

Year 5 had their own Greek day, where everyone was invited to dress up. Rainbow Theatre came in and the children took part in workshops before making their own Roman laurel headbands to wear home.

The children in year 6 have been researching Darwin's voyage of discovery and finding out facts about the journey on HMS Beagle.

## Ambassadors

Our year 6 ambassadors have now been appointed and can be seen around the school proudly wearing their new blazers.

They will have their own jobs in school and will act as positive role models to the other pupils.

## Contact Details

If you treated yourself to a new phone over the holidays and changed your number, please don't forget to let the office know.

It is very important that we have the correct information should we need to contact you.

## BIKES AND SCOOTERS

**Just a reminder that bikes and scooters should NOT be ridden on the school grounds.**

**Please can you ensure that riders dismount at the gates.**

**We have a lot of little people on site and would hate for there to be an accident.**

## Letters & emails sent home recently

- \* Harvest
- \* PODs news
- \* Parent Governor

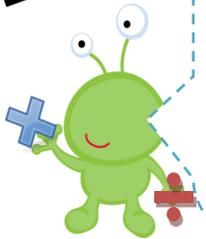
If you have not received these letters, please ask at the school office for another copy.



# 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?

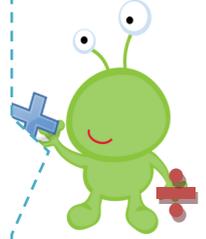
## KS1 challenge



Q: If each of the letters of your teacher's name is worth 2, what value is your teacher?

Email your answer to Pi, at  
[durringtonpi@dfed.co.uk](mailto:durringtonpi@dfed.co.uk)

## KS2 challenge



Q: If each of the letters of your teacher's name is worth 125, what value is your teacher?

Email your answer to Pi, at  
[durringtonpi@dfed.co.uk](mailto:durringtonpi@dfed.co.uk)

## Reception challenge



Q: I hope you're settling into to school - how many letters does your teacher's name have?

Email your answers to Pi, at  
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## SCHOOL COUNCIL

Every child in years 1 to 6 were given the opportunity to apply to be the school council representative for their class. The children in each class then voted to appoint their councillor.

The school council meets regularly to come up with ideas and initiatives. Last year they designed our anti-bullying leaflets, helped in assemblies, and held many fund raising activities.

The new school council members are very proudly wearing their new badges and will take ideas from their classmates to the meetings.

## Lollypop Man

We are still looking for someone who would be able to act as our school crossing patrol whilst our usual lollypop man is on holiday.

He will be away for most of December and some of January. If you know anyone who would be able to help our children out during this time, please can you ask them to contact the school for more information.