



Downs Infant School Newsletter

Week ending 13 May 2022

I've just come out of one of my regular meetings with the school council who told me that one of the great things about school at the moment is that parents and carers are coming back into school to share things with the children. So, a huge thank you to those who come in regularly as part of the reading army, as parent/carer helpers, and as part of our topics.

Please join FODIS and FODJ for the 'Downs on the Downs' sponsored walk this Sunday if you can. Details on posters around the school.

Dr Mitchell

- Diary Dates:** *(New dates will be in red)*
- NEXT WEEK Walk to school week**
 - Fri 27 May INSET AND Mon 30 May- Fri 3 June Half Term – school closed to pupils**
 - Reception Washbrooks Farm (7th June: Starfish and Dolphin. 8th June: Turtle and Seahorse)**
 - Fri 17 June Jubilee baton arrives**
 - Summer Fair 16th July PM**
 - Last day of term Thursday 21st July**

Learning Round-Up

Year 2 had the most amazing trip to Pulborough Brooks last week. They enjoyed exploring nature and learning how to pond-dip and identify animals and plants. They have started creating their own nature garden on the Treetops playground, attracting bees and other insects. Any donations of pots and plants welcome! They enjoyed the violin recital this week and well done to the performers.

Year 1 have been learning about real life 'Superheroes' and meeting doctors and other heroes. They also enjoyed a violin performance from our violinists and our teacher Miss Lisa. If you missed the note about learning violin, please ask in the office.

Reception have created their own stories based on The Enormous Turnip and doing painting based on Klimt's Country Garden.

EVERYONE has been learning about 'Feeling Good, Feeling Safe', thinking about ways to stay safe, including who to talk to if you need some help.



Chair of Champions

Well done to all children on the Chair of Champions this week!



After School Health and Safety

We have been in trouble with our premises team! School equipment has been found left in a dangerous condition, not in accordance with our fire risk assessments, and broken/damaged. **As a result we need to say that you must leave the school grounds immediately after collecting your child(ren) and not let them touch anything.**

Our grounds and equipment are a crucial part of our curriculum delivery and children and staff leave them ready for the next morning, and in line with our risk assessments. Several times this week teachers have had to go and move things, and they do not have time for this. Please help, it is not fair on our hardworking staff and doesn't set a good example for the children.



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This Half Term's Value is:
Empathy

