

# Dudley House School

## Newsletter 30<sup>th</sup> January 2018



Dear Parents,

### **What's Been Happening?**

#### Skyping France

To help develop their French and understanding of France, the whole school had the opportunity to speak to some children via Skype at Ecole Saint Lazare - Le Mans, in France on Monday 15<sup>th</sup> January. The two schools sang to each other, introduced themselves and asked questions to find out what their school day was like.

#### Class 1 - PCSO Visit

The children in Class 1 thoroughly enjoyed PCSO Darren's visit last Tuesday. As well as learning about the job he does, they learnt about keeping safe and not talking to strangers. They talked on Darren's radio to a Police Officer at the Police Station and had great fun dressing up as Police Officers. See the school's website or our Facebook page for pictures of the visit as well as other events and activities.

#### Class 2 - Antarctica Expedition

Class 2 have been following the footsteps of Robert Falcon Scott. After planning their journey and packing equipment, they have set up their own Antarctica base camp in class ready to explore what cold places are like and investigate what animals they may find living there. This week they will be learning about another polar explorer.

#### Class 3 - Tie Die Creations

Using fabric that they tied and dyed last week, yesterday Class 3 started using a sewing machine to turn their fabric pieces into cushions. Look out on the school website and our Facebook page to see their finished creations.

#### Class 4 – Bird Creations

In preparation for The Big School's Birdwatch, Class 4 have been learning about birds, been making bird sculptures in class and have been designing their own bird feeders as part of their Brain Builder homework. Next week, they will be looking to see which birds visit our school grounds and enjoy the food we put out for them.

#### Whole School Book Display

As a school we are passionate about developing a love of reading. The children have been busy creating different parts of a whole school display to promote and encourage reading. The final pieces will soon be in place, so please pop in to see what the children and staff have been busy creating in the hall.

#### Sports Tournaments

Well done to all the children who took part in the New Age Curling and the Goal Ball tournaments. It was lovely to see the children enjoying two new sports and improving their skills during the afternoon. Next week a team will take part in the Bisi Badminton Festival.

### **Future Events**

#### Class 1 Assembly – Wednesday 31<sup>st</sup> January ~ 8:50am

Class 1 will be sharing their learning with parents and friends this Wednesday at 8:50pm. All are very welcome to attend and discover what the children in Class 1 have been doing.

### Library Visit – Wednesday 31<sup>st</sup> January

Class 3 and 4 will be visiting Grantham Library on Wednesday morning. Children, don't forget to bring your library card.

### Safer Internet Day – Tuesday 6<sup>th</sup> February

Children will be learning more about how to stay safe online and developing their safety skills.

### Class 3 Assembly - Wednesday 7<sup>th</sup> February ~ 8:50am

Do you want to know more about internet safety? Then come and find out more in Class 3's assembly on Wednesday 7<sup>th</sup> February? You will also be able to view the Premiere of the animation they have created. All are very welcome to attend.

### End of Term – Friday 9<sup>th</sup> February

Just a reminder that we break up for half term on Friday 9<sup>th</sup> February. We will be swimming that morning and there will be Friday club as usual.

### Big Battery Hunt

Well done to those children who have already returned used batteries as part of our big battery hunt. The batteries will be counted and entry forms submitted at Easter, so please continue to collect and bring them into school.

After Easter, you will still be able to recycle batteries through the school, as we will have a recycling collection point.

## **Diary Dates – Spring Term 2018**

Wednesday 31 <sup>st</sup> January	- Class 1 Assembly
Wednesday 31 <sup>st</sup> January	- Library Visit KS2
Tuesday 6 <sup>th</sup> February	- Safer Internet Day
Wednesday 7 <sup>th</sup> February	- Class 3 Assembly
Thursday 8 <sup>th</sup> February	- Bisi Badminton Tournament ~ 4 - 5:30pm
Friday 9 <sup>th</sup> February	- KS2 Birdwatching
Friday 9 <sup>th</sup> February	- End of Term

### Half Term

Tuesday 20 <sup>th</sup> February	- Start of Term
20 <sup>th</sup> – 23 <sup>rd</sup> February	- Transport Week
Wednesday 28 <sup>th</sup> February	- Swimming Gala am
Thursday 1 <sup>st</sup> March	- Class 4 Assembly
Thursday 1 <sup>st</sup> March	- World Book Day
Monday 5 <sup>th</sup> March	- Class 3 Visit to York
Wednesday 7 <sup>th</sup> March	- Museum Workshop
Monday 12 <sup>th</sup> March	- Mother's Day Tea ~ 2:30pm
Tuesday 13 <sup>th</sup> March	- Parents' Evening
Wednesday 14 <sup>th</sup> March	- Class 2 Assembly
Wednesday 28 <sup>th</sup> March	- Easter Service
Wednesday 28 <sup>th</sup> March	- Quicksticks Hockey Tournament ~ 1:30-4:30pm
Thursday 29 <sup>th</sup> March	- End of Term