

24 JANUARY 2020

THE FRIDAY LETTER

WEEKLY NEWSLETTER OF DUNANNIE SCHOOL



Dear Parents,

Once again it has been a busy week, on Monday we welcomed James Welham who delivered a session on Inspire Maths. Thank you to James for providing an overview of the Inspire Maths scheme as well as some additional information on how you can support your children at home. For those of you who were unable to attend, you will find a copy of his presentation and handout in the email sent to you today along with the link to this week's Friday Letter.

On Thursday, Year 3 visited Arundel Wetland Centre where they experienced an exciting day learning about birds, especially migrating birds who have journeyed to Arundel from more northern parts of the world to escape the cold (although it feels pretty cold here in the UK this week!)

Next week, Year 3 have a swimming gala against St Ives at home. Parents, as always, are very welcome to come along and support the children. There is also a hockey match for Year 3 boys against Seaford on Thursday 29th January.

On Thursday 30th January at 8.30am, we have invited the amazing Lorraine Lee coming in to talk to parents about HELPING YOUR CHILD TO DO WELL AT SCHOOL AND AT HOME. This is a great workshop packed with tips and tools that you can use straight away. It covers what parents can say and do in order to ensure our child's emotional needs are met and they are able to grow in confidence and resilience. This allows them to take on new challenges, recover from setbacks and form healthy friendships. The session will have a relaxed and welcoming atmosphere and you will leave feeling inspired. Lorraine has been a Professional Parenting Practitioner in Hampshire for over 15 years and comes highly recommended by parents and teachers alike. If you are interested in attending this session, please sign up on the sheet on the Dunannie Noticeboard. We will be asking Lorraine to join us again for a future session to cover a variety of topics.

We have started to give the Dunannie entrance a makeover this week. We will be exhibiting the children's artwork / photography / sculptures etc on the Dunannie Gallery wall which we can all look forward to enjoying over the coming weeks. We will alternate the artwork on a regular basis so that everyone can appreciate what the children are producing in their lessons at school.

Please note the Spring Equinox events for all Bedales parents, details of which you will find on the 'Dates' page of the Friday Letter.

On a final note, please can we ask all children to bring a clearly named water bottle into school if they are doing a club. This way, we can ensure that everyone has immediate access to a drink whilst they are at a club, especially those clubs such as tennis and football where they may be outside. Thank you for your support with this.

Wishing you all a wonderful weekend.

Best wishes

Victoria

NURSERY



The Nursery children have been busy making fishing rods to go fishing with in the Arctic!

RECEPTION



This week reception were full of beans which helped on our journey around the orchard to find leaves comparing them with identification cards and printing them into clay.

Reception had a brilliant swimming lesson this week.



YEAR 1



*Year one have been interpreting the characters from *The Winter's Tale* and showing how they may look using Miller Goodman blocks.*

YEAR 2



On Thursday afternoon Year 2 walked to Steep village to look at the various buildings. We decided which buildings helped to enhance the community and why.

YEAR 3



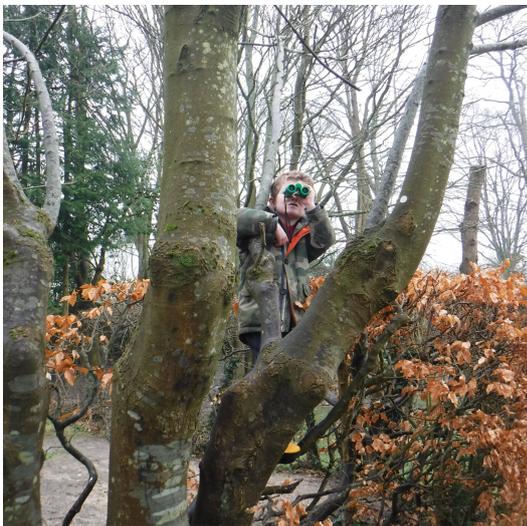
*Year 3 enjoying working on the four elements and characters from *The Winters Tale*, with Olivia from the Globe Theatre this week*

INTO THE WOODS



During today's In the Woods session Years 2 & 3 explored Owl Pellet dissection, investigating the contents of Owl Pellets up close. We learnt that owls enjoy a Carnivore diet and found a number of small rodents and bird species in our Owl Pellet investigation.

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This week the children in Year 1 noticed a change in the weather and considered what impact frozen conditions may have on birds. The children recognised that access to food may be limited in these conditions and worked in pairs to make a simple bird feeder, cutting an apple and using their fingers to squeeze seeds inside. The children also spent some time quietly looking for birds with their binoculars.



DATES: SPRING TERM 2020

Start Date	Start Time	End Time	Description
27/01/2020	15:00	15:30	Dunannie Year 3 Swim Gala v St Ives (H)
28/01/2020	08:15	08:30	Dunannie Early Morning Dance
28/01/2020	09:00	14:15	Dunannie Storytellers Workshop (The Globe) Years 1-3
29/01/2020	10:00	11:30	Dunannie Little Bedales
29/01/2020	14:00	15:00	Dunannie Year 3 Boys (with Group 1) Hockey v Seaford (H)
30/01/2020	08:30	09:30	Dunannie: Lorraine Lee Talk
03/02/2020	15:00	16:15	Dunannie Year 3 Mixed Hockey v Ditcham (H)
04/02/2020	08:15	08:30	Dunannie Early Morning Dance
04/02/2020	09:00	14:15	Dunannie Storytellers Workshop (The Globe) Years 1-3
05/02/2020			Year 3 - Dunannie Minstead Trip
05/02/2020	10:00	11:30	Dunannie Little Bedales
06/02/2020			Year 3 - Dunannie Minstead Trip
06/02/2020	14:15	15:15	Dunannie Y2 Cross Country at The Royal School
07/02/2020			Year 2 - The Weald and Downland Museum
07/02/2020			Year 3 - Dunannie Minstead Trip
11/02/2020	08:15	08:30	Dunannie Early Morning Dance
11/02/2020	09:00	14:15	Dunannie Storytellers Workshop (The Globe) Years 1-3
12/02/2020	10:00	11:30	Dunannie Little Bedales
12/02/2020	14:30	14:30	Dunannie Half Term Starts
24/02/2020	08:15	08:30	Dunannie Half Term Ends
25/02/2020	08:15	08:30	Dunannie Early Morning Dance
26/02/2020	10:00	11:30	Dunannie Little Bedales
03/03/2020	08:15	08:30	Dunannie Early Morning Dance
04/03/2020	10:00	11:30	Dunannie Little Bedales
04/03/2020	16:00	18:00	Dunannie Parents Evening
05/03/2020	14:15	15:15	Dunannie Year 3 Swim Gala v The Royal (H)
05/03/2020	17:00	19:30	Dunannie Parents Evening
10/03/2020	08:15	08:30	Dunannie Early Morning Dance
13/03/2020	19:30	22:30	Dunannie FOD Spring Social
14/03/2020	10:00	12:00	Dunannie Open Morning
16/03/2020	15:30	16:30	Dunannie Year 3 Mixed Hockey v Ditcham (Away)
17/03/2020	08:15	08:30	Dunannie Early Morning Dance
17/03/2020	15:45	16:30	Dunannie Performers' Platform
18/03/2020			Year 3 - Shakespeare Day at The Weald and Downland Museum
18/03/2020	10:00	11:30	Dunannie Little Bedales
20/03/2020	08:30	10:30	Dunannie Marvelous Mothers Day Event
24/03/2020	08:15	08:30	Dunannie Early Morning Dance
24/03/2020	08:30	09:00	Year 3 - Parents' Healthy Breakfast Assembly
25/03/2020	10:00	11:30	Dunannie Little Bedales
27/03/2020	13:00	13:00	Dunannie Term Ends

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ACHIEVEMENTS



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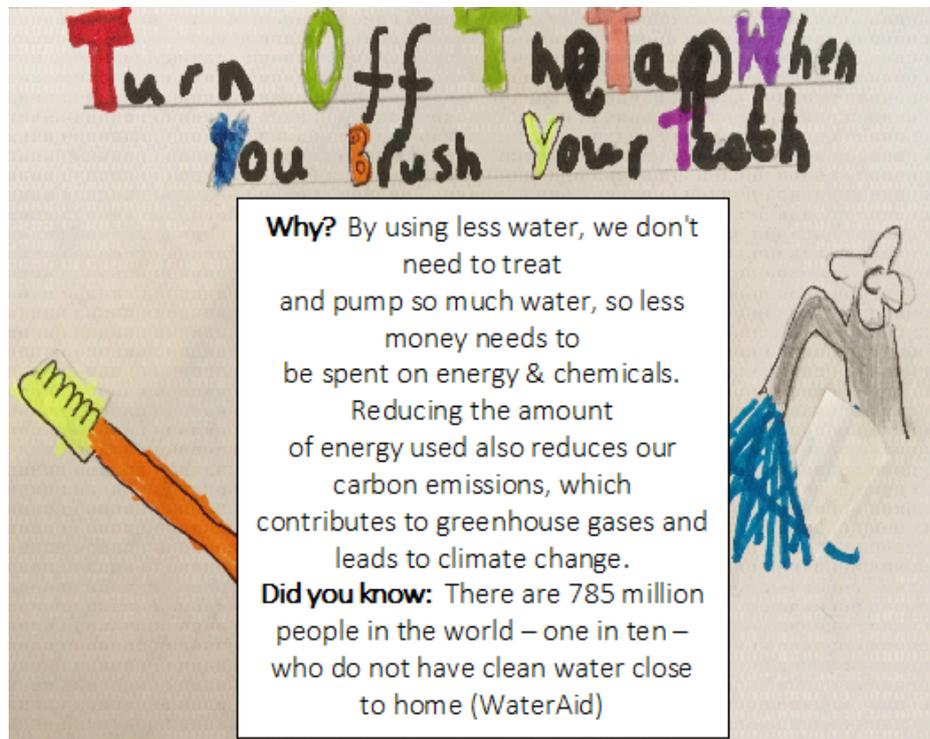
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NOTICES

MARTHA'S ECO TIP OF THE WEEK



THE SPRING EQUINOX EVENTS 2020

The Spring Equinox events for parents are now available to book and I hope there is a workshop or event that will tempt you to sign up. Two workshops are in London and the rest are at, or near, Bedales. They include a Sourdough and Bread Baking Workshop with Sarah Raisbeck (16 March, 9.30am-4pm, £135); a Bedales Art Studio Creative Workshop (17 March, 9.45am-5.30pm, £85); a Block Printing Workshop with Yateley Papers (18 March, 10am-4pm, £120); a Sauerkraut and Fermentation Workshop with Lucy Ogilvie-Grant (19 March, 10.30am-2pm, £55); a Meditation Workshop with Laura Coleman (20 March, 9.30am-3.45pm, £75); and a Spring Equinox Pagan Stories Walk and Lunch with Hector and the Fox (21 March, 10am-1pm, £20). For more information about all the events, visit the website here; to book, please email parents@bedales.org.uk. I hope to see you at one or more of the events.