



It's hard to believe that we are already finding ourselves nearly half way through the school year. We have achieved so much in the first half and look forward to continuing to reaching for the stars and aiming high as February emerges.

This week we have been playing calm music in every class during independent parts of lessons to support the children in their concentration and focus. This has been working really well and walking around I can see vast productivity and high engagement in learning. We are really proud of all of our children at Ditton Lodge.

Have a super weekend.





This week our class spotlight is on Year Three

Currently in Maths, we are becoming more expert at measuring length. We have been working hard to calculate equivalent lengths and make comparisons. We have been exploring the regions, counties and cities of the UK in Geography. In our first-person narrative writing we are applying our geographical knowledge, contrasting where we live to another area of the UK. We are enjoying finding out about the Bronze Age in History. We can't wait to immerse ourselves in the Iron Age during our trip to Wandlebury!



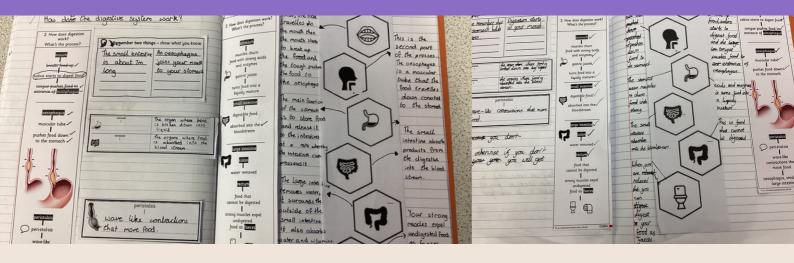


This week our subject spotlight is on PE

This month pupils from year 4,5, and 6 entered the Forest Heath school sport partnership sportshall indoor athletics competitions. Year 4 celebrated second place and were presented with silver medals and were able to wear them to our proud assembly on Friday.

The reception class have used the gymnastics apparatus for the first time and have impressed staff with their learning. Other classes have enjoyed outdoor activities such as football, hockey and orienteering.





Attendance



This week's Year Group Attendance

Reception: 84.19% Year 1 - 95% Year 2 - 96.43%

Year 3 - 97% Year 4 - 93% Year 5 - 92.28%

Year 6 - 92.18%

Whole School Attendance - 92.87%



House Points

This Week's House Points Winner is:

Palace House - 2040

Tattersalls House - 1880

Severals House - 1900

Hyperion House - 1900





Diary Dates

Tuesday 6th February - Year 5/6 Swimming Gala - pm
Friday 9th February - pm - PTFA Popcorn Night
Tuesday 13th February - Year 3 trip to Wandlebury Country Park
Thursday 15th February - Coffee and Connect Morning - am
Thursday 15th February - Last day of Term
Friday 16th February - PD Day

Monday 26th February - First day back to school





PTFA NEWS

Thank you to everyone that took part in Bag2School, we will keep you updated as to how much we raise in due course.

We hope to be able to let you know soon how much was raised at our recent Bingo Night.

Tickets are now on sale from Mrs Colby in the school office for next week's Popcorn Night. Tickets are £4.00 and need to be bought in advance.



Careers of the Future

Where will your learning take you?



At Ditton Lodge, we want to prepare our children for all aspects of their future. An important part of this is raising their awareness of the endless possibilities and opportunities that there are in the world.

We would like to ask for your help with this. Do you have an unusual or interesting job that you would be happy to come and share with our children? We would like to run a series of mini sharing sessions to spark the children's imaginations.

Please email <u>office@dittonlodgeprimary.co.uk</u> if you are interested or would like more information.

Many thanks in advance for your support in inspiring our children!

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