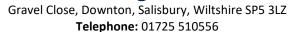
# **Downton Church of England VA Primary School**







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Dear families,

We hope this newsletter finds you well and that you've had a fantastic week. We are excited to share the highlights of the past week, starting with the fabulous production of "Wind in the Willows!"









The children's performance touched our hearts, evoked lots of laughter and transported us to the wonderful world of the 'Wind in the Willows.' These exceptional performances showed how the children had developed invaluable skills such as teamwork, resilience and self-expression. I know they will all cherish the memories created, the friendships forged and the invaluable skills acquired. Their dedication, resilience and confidence on stage was inspiring. Such hidden talents, so much confidence, I have never been prouder.

















#### **Music Soiree**

Once again at our musical soiree many of our students excelled as they sung/played to the most wonderful audience. The exceptional performances delivered by our talented students from most years, was incredible. We thank their teachers and families for their expertise and commitment for nurturing their artistic talents.















#### **School Games Mark Award**

We are thrilled to announce that our school has achieved the prestigious Gold School Games Mark Award! This recognition highlights our commitment to promoting physical education and providing exceptional sporting opportunities for our students. It is a testament to the hard work and dedication of our PE leader Mr Howell, our coaches, and, of course, our talented and enthusiastic students. The Gold Mark PE Award reflects our belief in the importance of physical activity, teamwork, and the overall well-being of our students. We will continue to foster a love for sports and encourage an active lifestyle within our school community.

#### **School Uniform Reminder**

Maintaining a smart and consistent school uniform is an essential part of fostering a positive learning environment and promoting a sense of belonging within our school community. We kindly request your cooperation in adhering to the our uniform guidelines. Please refer to the link provided below to access the detailed uniform policy, including



specific clothing items, colours, and any additional guidelines related to footwear, accessories, and hair. Click here to access our detailed school uniform policy: <a href="https://downton-pri.wilts.sch.uk/uniform">https://downton-pri.wilts.sch.uk/uniform</a>. We appreciate your attention to these details and thank you in advance for ensuring that your child comes to school dressed in the appropriate uniform. Your support in maintaining high standards of appearance contributes to a positive and focused learning environment for all our students.

















### **End of year success**

We are incredibly proud to announce that our pupils have excelled in their SATs (Standard Assessment Tests) across the school, with particularly outstanding results in Key Stage 2. Our pupils have surpassed not only the average scores in Wiltshire but have also outperformed many schools nationally. This accomplishment reflects the dedication, hard work, and commitment of both our pupils and our talented teaching staff.



We would like to extend our heartfelt congratulations to all our Key Stage 2 pupils for their remarkable achievements. Their perseverance, resilience, and growth mindset have truly paid off, and we couldn't be prouder of their accomplishments. These SATs results not only demonstrate their academic excellence but also highlight the supportive and nurturing learning environment we strive to create at Downton Primary School.

## **Exceptional Efforts and Teamwork**

Carter, Tristan, Jack, and George T, Charlotte, we applaud you for your remarkable dedication and selflessness in supporting the NHS "Walk for Wards" charity last weekend. Your commitment to this noble cause reflects the values we instill at Downton Primary School, emphasising the importance of caring for others and making a positive impact on society.

Your fundraising efforts will undoubtedly make a significant difference in supporting and improving the lives of patients in NHS hospitals. Your kindness, empathy, and active participation in charitable initiatives make us exceptionally proud to have you as part of our school community.

To our entire student body, we encourage you to follow in the footsteps of Carter, Tristan, Charlotte, Jack, and George T, and find ways to contribute to causes that resonate with your hearts. Whether through charitable endeavours, acts of kindness, or supporting local initiatives, together, we can make a significant impact on our community and beyond.

If you have any stories or achievements you would like to share with us, please feel free to reach out. We are always excited to celebrate your accomplishments and showcase the amazing things our students are doing.

We would like to express our gratitude to our students, staff, and parents for making this week truly wonderful. Your support and enthusiasm play a crucial role in creating a vibrant and thriving school community.

Wishing you all a wonderful week ahead, filled with joy, kindness, and meaningful connections.

Paula Carlton

















