

Durand Primary School

Newsletter

Autumn 2021 Issue 2



Learning Together, Achieving Together
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It is very difficult to comprehend that we have nearly reached our first half term break for this school year. It has been wonderful to see all of our Durand School family over this first period since we started back in September!

Training days and half term

Just to remind everyone of the following dates:

Thursday 21st and Friday 22nd October – training days

Monday 25th to Friday 29th October – half term break

Monday 1st and Tuesday 2nd November – training days

Pupils should return to school on Wednesday 3rd November. I hope you all have an enjoyable and restful half term break!

Harvest and Harvest Donations

A HUGE THANK YOU to everyone who donated an item / items for the Caldicot Food Bank which was our chosen charity for our Harvest this year. They really appreciated our contributions.

Hopefully you have all had chance to see the videos made by each class of their harvest celebration! We are so proud of all of our pupils!



Children in Need

Just to remind everyone that it is Children in Need on Friday 12th November and we will be celebrating this by asking pupils to come to school in brightly coloured non-school uniform clothing or dressed as something they 'aspire to be'. We will **not be collecting donations in school** for this but ask that if parents wish to make a donation they make it through the official BBC Children in Need channels. Many thanks.



Safety

We are committed to providing a Safe and Secure environment for everyone within our school family. Could I therefore please request your co-operation with the following:

- Endeavour to maintain an appropriate social distance, wherever possible, and to continually 'free flow' around the school site at the beginning and end of the day.
- Leave the school site straight away and not congregate either on site or just outside.
- Use the parent car park correctly. There is a one-way system that operates to ensure the safety of everyone using it with the entrance in the far corner.

I appreciate your support with these matters.

Photos

Just to remind everyone that tomorrow we have the individual school photos. We will be organising in-school (including Nursery) sibling photos as well as individual photos. Unfortunately, we cannot facilitate photos with siblings that are not in school with us. Many thanks.



Good Conduct Awards.

As a school we operate a half termly 'Good Conduct Award' system where we reward pupils from Reception up to Year 6 with a certificate if they have shown excellent conduct and behaviour both within the classroom and around the school. This is part of our school ethos encouraging both good behaviour and good manners. The first certificate for this year will be given out to pupils who have earned them after the half term break.

Many thanks to you all for your continued support!

**Mrs Allison Waters
Headteacher**