



**DODFORD FIRST SCHOOL
NEWSLETTER**
Achieve, Believe, Create and Fly High

'We are thinking about the value 'COLLABORATION' this half term...

“Unity is strength...
when there
is teamwork
and collaboration,
wonderful
things can be
achieved.”

Harvest Festival

The Harvest Festival was delightful as always, the children sang and spoke beautifully, and thank you to everyone who came along to celebrate with us, including a few of our friends from school room at nursery. Your donations are gratefully received and The Dodford Holiday Farm and New Starts are thankful for thinking of them during these challenging times. Also a big thank you to those of you who have approached me personally to comment on the lovely service, I've passed your comments on to the staff and children, they are very much appreciated.



Brian Miller—message from Jon our sports coach

Both Mum and I are really touched that you and school would want to donate in memory of Dad.

The link is:

Midlands Air Ambulance

Donations may be gifted on the day (there will be a box at the back of the church) or can be sent via <https://www.memorygiving.com/brianmiller2>

Brian really loved coaching your children at Dodford and chatting to all the staff.

(Mrs Eggleton will be attending the funeral on behalf of the Dodford school community)

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CLUBS

THURSDAY 3.15—4.15

MULTI SPORTS

FRIDAY 3.15—4.15

FOOTBALL

COMING SOON!

Fri 27th Oct—Last day of half term—no football club

Half term—Mon 30th Oct—Fri 3rd Nov

Mon 6th Nov—Back to school, normal time

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New Staff Appointment

We are extremely pleased to announce that Mrs Khan will be staying with us and has accepted a job in the school office, looking after admin and school finance. Welcome to the Dodford Team!

Rags to Riches Fundraiser for library books!

Please help us fundraise by donating your good quality unwanted, re-useable (clean, dry and wearable) clothes and accessories (please pair and tie shoes together)

Your donations become affordable clothing in other countries. All donations are going to families in Ukraine.

Bags have been put in children's book bags today!



Achievement Assembly

Thank you to everyone who came along this morning and well done to all of those children who have received awards this half term.

Golden Tea with Mrs P!

This month's Golden Tea children are, Hugo, Freddy, Maisie-Ella, Sennen and Immy—well done!

They enjoyed hot chocolate with brownies, rocky road and biscuits together with me and shared their work with one another.



Feel Good Friday

Today was Feel Good Friday and the theme was 'collaboration'. The children worked in teams during their PE sessions and in classes I saw great paired and group work in all of the classes.

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Headteacher Award

Wrens— Lenny

Robins 1— Oliver M

Robins 2— Remy

Owls 3— Katie

Owls 4— Chester

ATTENDANCE

Well done to the 33 children who attended school 100% this half term

Housepoints—new running total for term

Avon—407

Teme—364

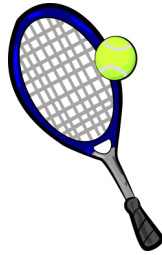
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Well done Avon—earned an extra playtime for their efforts!



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If you are looking for a tennis camp this half term then look no further than Belbroughton Tennis Club, we will be holding our October Half Term Tennis Camp on Monday October 30th and Tuesday October 31st : 9-4pm. We have two camps for all ages just pick the camp to suit your child.

Tennis & Activity Camp for Ages 5-12 years: A full day of tennis, sports, games and FUN. Whether your child is completely new to tennis or wants to improve their game, our tennis and activity camps are made to suit all abilities. With great coaching, variety and fun plus the chance to meet and mix with new people camps are the perfect way to keep youngsters active and occupied during the school breaks.

Yellow squad: Ages 11+: Tennis training, tactics and match play in the morning offer a chance to improve tennis skills then join in with some team games in the afternoon.

We have added drop off from 8.30am and pick up at 4.30pm free of charge to help those fitting around a working day.

At Belbroughton Tennis Club we have something for everyone!

If you are interested please follow this link to book:

[Holiday Camps - inspire2Coach Ltd](#)

What a long half term this has been—everyone deserves a well earned break! I hope you all have a lovely week and are refreshed and ready for what will be another long but very exciting half term. Next half term the school council will be busy organising fundraisers, the pupil forum will be feeding back on our new behaviour policy, the eco team will be looking at energy and preparing the garden for winter and the sports crew will continue their hard work on the playground, encouraging children to play new games. Not forgetting that there will be a Christmas production to perform! Yes, I mentioned Christmas, but the next half term is one of great excitement for the children (and staff!)

Have a lovely week,

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