



**DODFORD FIRST SCHOOL
NEWSLETTER**
Every Day, a Learning Journey

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COMING SOON...NSPCC NUMBER DAY...FRIDAY 4TH FEBRUARY

Non-Uniform Day—Wear Something with Numbers On!



We are excited to be working with schools across the country to boost NSPCC funds whilst raising awareness of the importance of number. You can find out more about the event by [clicking here](#).

As a school committed to developing children's empathy and understanding of others, we ask everyone to **donate a minimum of £1 on the day** to this worthwhile NSPCC fundraising day. Amongst other things, money will support the NSPCC's vital 'Stay Safe, Speak Out' programme.

Feel Good Friday

Today was our Feel Good Friday. The theme this month was **resilience**. The children had great fun with Jon, learning skills and 'sticking power'. Resilience is an essential life skill and we encourage the children to never give up just like NED as we learn from our mistakes.

Big Garden Birdwatch

During this weekend of **28th-30th January**, people across the UK are being asked to take just one hour of their time to count the birds seen in their gardens and outdoor areas. Over the past 30 years it has generated some interesting results, which then helps provide a valuable insight into the national population of garden birds. We have been watching out for the birds around school and will be asking you to do the same at home. Please encourage your children to come in next week and share with their class the birds they have seen!



Thank you for your help—Covid

Thank you for helping our school stay Covid safe. We continue to wear masks in communal areas and to exemplify protective measures such as timely handwashing. Our Covid email is still live and monitored over the weekend: keepingintouch@covid.worcs.sch.uk Please do let us know at the earliest opportunity should your child test positive. Thank you once again.

CLUBS

THURSDAY 3.15—4.15

SCANDANAVIAN SPORTS

FRIDAY 3.15—4.15

FOOTBALL CLUB

ATTENDANCE

WRENS— 98%

ROBINS 1— 95%

ROBINS 2— 99%

OWLS 3— 100%

OWLS 4— 100%

STAR AWARDS:

WRENS— LEWIS

ROBINS 1— KATIE

ROBINS 2— EVIE

OWLS 3— ESMAI

OWLS 4— ELLA

HOUSE POINTS:

AVON: 34

TEME: 33

SEVERN: 36



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Giving back—a request for help.

We need the help of a willing and able group of three parents/family members to help put together children's balance bikes for reception children. You will need to supply your own tools! It would be lovely if, as a community, we can pull together to help children learn how to be cycle safe and enjoy cycling in the fresh air. If you are able to help put the bikes together, please email our school office: office@dodford.worcs.sch.uk We will be forever grateful.

Bikeability—16th February for Year 4 children only

Year 4 children will be undertaking their Level 1 Bikeability Course on Wednesday 16th February. Letters will be sent out to Year 4 families soon. In the meantime, please do drum-up enthusiasm with your Year 4 child.

A note of thanks

Behind the scenes, Dodford Parents' Association are busy preparing events and activities for the rest of the Spring Term. We thank them for continual supporting our school. Mrs Parkes met the Chair of the DPA this week as we celebrate the partnership and work as one community to give every child the best education possible. The Christmas raffle raised a staggering £269.00.

Roman Day is Happening!

Owls are looking forward to Roman Day on Monday 31st January. Staff from Portals to the Past will be coming into bring Roman times to life. Being an eco school, we ask that you do not buy new costumes, but be creative with clothes you already have. Children are encouraged to dress as Roman's—we have an exciting day ahead.

Samuel Pepys

Robins are in for a real treat to extend their learning next week as Samuel Pepys comes to school on Wednesday 2nd February. Children do not need to wear any special clothing for the day. We will Tweet photos after the event to give you a glimpse of their incredible experience.

Health & Safety Reminder—Medication

Every moment of every day, we work relentlessly to keep children safe. This week, we ask you to ensure that all medication is handed directly to the office as children arrive as forms MUST be completed. No medication can be left in a child's bag whilst they are in school. Thank you for your support.

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Friday 28th January

Big Garden Birdwatch

Friday 4th February

National Number Day (NSPCC)

(Dress up for digits NSPCC theme)

Tuesday 9th February

Safer Internet Day

Monday 14th February

Love & Gratitude Day

(Dress in a colour that represents love to you)

COMING SOON!

14th—18 March

STEM Week

**We wish you all a
safe and happy
weekend.**