



# Frome Valley First School News Weekly



## Star of the Week

Congratulations to the following children who are this week's

**'Star of the Week'**

Reception: George

Year 1: Isla

Year 2: Stanley

Year 3: Amelia B

Year 4: Danielle



## Year 3 trip – The Priest's House Museum

Year 3 are visiting 'The Priest's House Museum' this **Thursday 1<sup>st</sup> February**. Please can any outstanding permission slips and monies be returned to school as soon as possible.

## Parent Drop In Sessions

A reminder that we have our termly drop in sessions tomorrow. There is an early morning session from **8.15 – 8.40am** and an afternoon session from **2.15 – 3pm**.

There are often many parents that would like to speak to the teacher so we ask that parents write their name on the whiteboard in the classroom as they arrive. Teachers will then speak to parents in order of their arrival!

## PTFA News

### **It's time for the '1000 Flip Challenge' fundraiser!**

To celebrate Pancake Day - whilst raising money for a new sound system for the school hall -the PTFA are running a sponsored pancake flip on Wednesday 7 February. Your child will have 60 seconds to flip as many pancakes as possible. The school target is

1000 flips in total! Neighbours, friends and family can sponsor either per flip or give a donation for taking part. Every child will get a certificate to take home. **Look out for Sponsorship forms in book bags.** And don't worry...only ready-made pancakes are being flipped so there will be no cooking or hot oil involved!



### **Gift Aid: help the PTFA raise more for your school in 2018!**

Gift Aid is an income tax relief designed to benefit charities, such as the PTFA. If you're a UK taxpayer, Gift Aid increases the value of your charity donations by 25% because the charity can reclaim the basic rate of tax on your gift – at no extra cost to you. So for every £1 you contribute to events such as school discos or when you sponsor your child for the '1000 Flip Challenge', the PTFA can claim an extra 25p...which will really add up over the year. Thank you in advance for your support.

### **Inset days for the Academic year 2018 – 2019**

The following dates are staff training days in the next academic year. Please note that there will also be **one additional date**, which we will advise parents of as soon as it is available.

**Monday 3<sup>rd</sup> September 2018**

**Tuesday 4<sup>th</sup> September 2018**

**Monday 29<sup>th</sup> October 2018**

**Friday 15<sup>th</sup> February 2019**

### **Visit from Bishop of Sherborne**

On Thursday, we had a visit from The Right Reverend Karen Gorham, who is the 36<sup>th</sup> Bishop of Sherborne. She spoke to the children about her role as a Bishop and what it means to her. She also came to the school to celebrate our Outstanding SIAMS inspection in November.



### **All Stars Cricket**

Dorchester Cricket Club are excited to present All Stars Cricket for 5 to 8 year old boys & girls!

The first session is on Saturday May 26<sup>th</sup> @ Dorchester Recreation Ground from 10 till 11 and every Saturday thereafter for 8 weeks.

Registering online is easy, just visit [allstarscricket.co.uk](http://allstarscricket.co.uk) and type in Dorchester CC in toolbar and complete the registration in a couple of minutes.

After the 8 week course finishes, sessions will continue throughout the summer at a charge of just £1 per child per session!

Dorchester CC are also currently recruiting for under 9s, u11s, u13s & u15s and these sessions will commence on Friday 2<sup>nd</sup> February at Thomas Hardy school from 7 till 8 and all are very welcome, this will continue on Wednesday evenings at the County recreation ground in Dorchester on a Wednesday evening throughout the summer.

Please contact Simon Joslin on 01305 262850 for further information.

### **Nut Free School Lunches and Snacks**

A reminder to everyone that we have a child in school who has a very severe nut allergy. Please ensure that all lunches and snacks do not contain nuts. Thank you for your help.

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