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## DORCHESTER PRIMARY SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

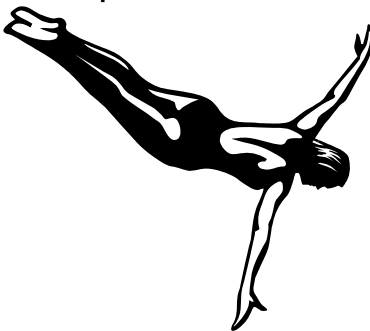
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Dear Parents,

November seems to be rushing past us and before we know it will be Christmas - scary thought!

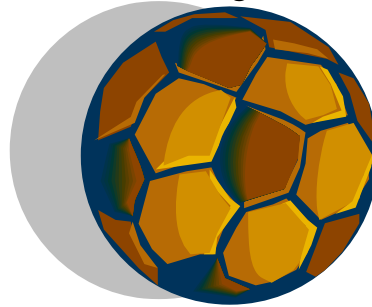
**Super Swimmers**



Congratulations go to Charlotte Byford, Jessica O' Connor, Millie Batten and Charlotte Wood and for participating in the

Sutton Swimming Gala at Cheam Baths on 6<sup>th</sup> November. The girls swam very well and tried their best.

### Victory !



The netball teams and the football teams are trying hard to win against other Sutton Schools..... Congratulations to all the pupils in the team.

### Shoe Boxes

A big thank you to all those families who sent in a shoe box for children less fortunate than ours - I'm sure they will have a better Christmas now!

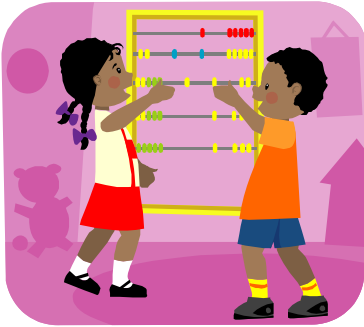
### Class assemblies

We have had a couple of very interesting assemblies performed by Sapphire and Purple Class this half term. The pupils all performed well and I'm sure the parents of those children were very pleased. Thanks goes to the teachers for being so creative and to the children for performing so well.



### Maths

We are having a Maths Week beginning on the 1.12.08. The children will be doing lots of different maths activities. If you have a spare couple of hours to spare do volunteer your support to classes.



## Children in Need

Thank you to all those who participated in our Children in Need day by dressing up in spots and stripes. We raised about £450. Some of the Year 5 children made cakes at home and sold them after school raising a further £50 for this worthy cause.



## Poetry and book week

This week is poetry and book week and we are studying different authors and poets. David Mason, a famous poet, is coming into school for 2 days this week to work with the Year 6 pupils.

He will also be performing to all the other classes. Friday is

dressing up day so no doubt we will see lots of different characters in school.

## Dates

Just to confirm -  
The school will close on Friday 19<sup>th</sup> December at 1.30 p.m. for Christmas and reopen on Monday 5<sup>th</sup> January 2009!  
We had arranged for one training day in the spring term on Friday 13<sup>th</sup> March.

## Clubs

There are lots of different clubs running after school thanks to the staff; cooking, art, football, netball, computer, choir, science, gardening and more. Now we have the new partition to make the reception area safer please could all the pupils be picked up outside the hall area after all clubs.

Thank you.



Please use the post box in the reception lobby for all correspondence to the school. There is one for

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FODs and one for the school.

## FODS

The Friends of Dorchester Committee is very busy starting to prepare for the Christmas Fair which is on Saturday 13<sup>th</sup> December. If you can help in any way please do make contact with one of the many friends.

## Yippy, our lollipop lady!

We miss you!  
Yippy should return to work on 24<sup>th</sup> November maybe before. We have all missed her bright smile every morning.

## Park safely or walk!

The car park is for staff only; so please do not park in it as there have been some near misses with children!

Please try to walk to school or park away from Dorchester Rd.

If you have any worries or need to discuss any issues please talk to the class teacher, the office staff or me - a worry shared is a worry halved!

*With best wishes from,  
Louise Austin*