

# **SCARF Life Education Day**

On Tuesday, 28<sup>th</sup> January, each class will have a session run by the life education team to enhance our PSHE offering within the school. The children always enjoy these days. Class 3 will be thinking about making positive decisions, Class 2 will be looking at the Brain and how it influences what we do, and Class 1 will be looking at their bodies in more detail.

# **School Beat Visit**

Class 3 will be having their termly visit from PC Leah Davies, who is our school beat officer. We will be looking closely at online relationships and how to stay safe online.

#### **Cross Country Event**

All children in classes 2 and 3 are invited to take part in the local cross-country event after school on Thursday. Please see the separate letter for full details and to let us know if your child would like to take part.

# PTA meeting Thursday 30<sup>th</sup> January at 5:30 pm

Was your New Year's resolution to meet more people, start a new hobby, or donate time to charity? Then why not join the PTA? We are a friendly bunch who like to get things done to support our lovely school and have fun doing it. The first meeting of 2025 is Thursday, 30<sup>th</sup> January, at 5:30 pm at school, and we would LOVE to have new members along. You are not signing up for a huge commitment, just a chance to meet other people and share ideas. We hope to see you there.

# Class 1 show and tell reminder

Just a polite reminder that items brought in for show and tell should be occasional and a maximum of once a week.

#### **Class 3 PSHE**

Class 3 will be continuing their unit on changing and growing this week and may have a variety of questions when they get home. If you would like any of the resources shared, then do not hesitate to contact Mrs Russell at <a href="mailto:class3@downampney.gloucs.sch.uk">class3@downampney.gloucs.sch.uk</a>

#### Spirituality/wellbeing garden

We have started to develop the plans for this garden and are looking for a team of volunteers who might be able to see the plans come to life. We are aiming to come up with a list of tasks and have a couple of working weekends to get it started. Please see Mrs Gray or a member of the PTA to ask for help. We will also be looking for a variety of plants, so if growing is more your thing, then please get planting for us.

#### Class 1 – Prayer Space Day

On Tuesday, 4<sup>th</sup> February, the children in Class 1 will join children from five other local small schools to explore prayer spaces. Letters have been sent. Please let us know as soon as possible if you are not able to arrange transportation.

#### **Dance Festival**

For those with children taking part in the dance festival, the tickets are now on sale. We are performing at 3 pm. <u>https://cheltenhamtownhall.org.uk/event/gloucestershire-schools-dance-festival-2025/</u>



# 2024-25 Week 18 Update

#### MTC Parents meeting – Year 4 parents

Thank you to all the parents who came to the MTC meeting. If you were not able to attend and would like any information, then do not hesitate to contact Miss Phipps at class2@downampney.gloucs.sch.uk

#### Small school fundraiser

We are very excited to hear that our legacy event of an annual small school fundraiser will happen again this year, with Meysey Hampton taking the lead. This year, there is a flourishing dance festival! More details will follow – it is on Saturday 21<sup>st</sup> June – save the date.

Key Dates – for the full year, see the website – new dates or information in yellow https://www.downampneyprimaryschool.co.uk/calendar/	
28 <sup>th</sup> January	Scarf PSHE day / School beat officer in school
30 <sup>th</sup> January	Cross country
30 <sup>th</sup> January	PTA meeting at 5:30 pm
4 <sup>th</sup> February	Prayer Space Day Class 1 at Kempsford
5 <sup>th</sup> February	In the Net – internet safety for Y4
10 <sup>th</sup> February	Rail safety talk class 3
13 <sup>th</sup> February	Dance festival at Cheltenham town hall
14 <sup>th</sup> February	End of Term 3
24 <sup>th</sup> February	Start of Term 4
27 <sup>th</sup> February	Class 3 school trip