

Dilton Marsh C of E and Keevil C of E Ofsted Inspections

A huge thank you and well done to both Keevil Church of England Primary School and Dilton Marsh Church of England Primary School for their first Ofsted inspection under the new framework in December.

Keevil received an overall effectiveness rating of Good and was praised for being a school where pupils feel valued by staff, with one student's view echoing that of many others "If everyone knew about our school, all the other schools would be empty. In response to the Good rating Headteacher Lindsey Hermon said that "within school we are very proud of what it says about us". The inspection found that leaders and staff had high aspirations for their student's academic and social success; this enthusiasm was also evident in the report which found that pupils were relishing the many opportunities to learn about the world at Keevil. The report further highlighted the impact the school had on students with SEND, praising how they were included in all aspects of school life and their individual academic, social and emotional needs met.

Dilton Marsh's inspection concluded that, while the school is a happy place where students are keen to learn, the school Requires Improvement. The report reflected a fair inspection of the school commending both the pupils respectful nature and that staff knew the strengths and weaknesses of the school and their plans focused on the right things. Jill Hibbs (Headteacher) commented that all staff "are really pleased the report recognises the effort that the whole school community makes in ensuring that the children have a positive learning experience". Improvement areas identified by the inspectors had already been identified by the school and progress is already being made. The report concluded that they were confident in the school's leaders to continue to move the school forwards.

Keevil C of E Primary School

- Pupils relish the many opportunities to learn about the world at Keevil
- Throughout the curriculum, pupils develop positive attitudes towards reading, writing and mathematics
- Leaders and staff ensure that each pupil with special educational needs/ and or disabilities (SEND) well.
- They ensure that each pupil receives academic, social and emotional support that meets their individual needs. Consequently, pupils achieve well.
- Governors know the school well. They share the vision of the school leaders. Through frequent visits to the school, they are able to pose effective change.
- Staff are unanimous in their praise for the school. They feel exceptionally well supported and really value their roles. Staff and pupils described the school to inspectors as 'a family'

Dilton Marsh C of E Primary School

- Pupils' attitudes to learning are good. They are keen to find out new things and listen attentively
- Because of the respectful nature of pupils the school is a happy place. Pupils play well together in sports and at playtime
- Children arrive at school ready to learn
- Pupil premium distribution has improved and leaders monitor disadvantaged pupils' progress more carefully. As a result, teaching and other support is helping pupils know and remember more. For pupils with SEND, those with highly complex needs receive strong support from skilled teaching assistants
- Leaders provide a range of after school clubs that many pupils attend. Most pupils are gaining experiences beyond those offered in school subjects

Acorn Tag Rugby

The Avenue snatched victory in the last match of Monday night's Round Robin Tournament at Kingdown School. A big thank you the leaders from Kingdown school who ran the event for eight primary schools. It was great to see so many parents and staff supporting the event



- Active & Visible Leadership
- Care, Support & Challenge
- Opportunities For All
- Respect, Recognition & Resilience
- Needs Of All Are Paramount

Dates for the diary:

24th February - Start of Term 4

5th March

World Book Day

12th March

9.30am Heads Meeting (Clarendon)

16th March

3.15pm Secondary TA Effective Practice Training (Kingdown)

23rd March

Acorn Sports Athletics Competition

25th March

Primary Senior Leaders Training

26th March

SEND/ TA Primary Training

1st April

2.30pm Year 6 Meeting (St John's)

3rd April - End of Term 4

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Meet Our New Staff:

We extend a very warm welcome to the Acorn Education Trust staff who have recently joined us:

Acorn	Alice Southby – Admin Assistant	
Clarendon	Howard Jolliffe – Site Manager	Jane Tucker – School Receptionist
	Reanne Penny – Teaching Assistant	
Dilton	Deborah Pearce – Teaching Assistant and MDSA	
Great Wishford	Hollie Blackman – MDSA	
Keovil	Lizzie Robinson – Class Teacher	
New Close	Nicola Pyke – Teaching Assistant/Early Years Teacher	
	Julie Horn – Class Teacher	
Rowde	Katy Brown – Class Teacher	
Kingdown	Helen Fox – Supply Teacher	James Giblin – Supply Teacher
	Erin Martin – PE Teacher	Halla Sheppard – Teaching Assistant

New Acorn Education Trust Website – Coming Soon



During term 3 the new Acorn Education Trust website will be launching, designed and hosted by Cleverbox, a website creative brand agency. They have over 20 years' experience working exclusively in the education sector across a range of state and private schools, academies and FE colleges and have been helping the trust put together a modern and visually impactful website.

The new design will feature specially commissioned photographs featuring some of the trust's schools, taken by Cleverbox's own photographer, and have a more professional aesthetic. In terms of accessibility the website will be easier to navigate and update with news, photos and policies; this means that it'll be able to keep up with all the wonderful activities happening throughout the trust. Content on the current version of the Acorn Education Trust website is in the

process of being reviewed and transferred across to the new platform, ready for its launch at the end of February. Over the next few months there is potential for other Acorn Education Trust schools to also move over to the new platform, to ensure continuity and cohesiveness across all schools. If you have any feedback on the new website, once it's launched, would be greatly appreciated. Please email Alice (aes@acorneducationtrust.com) with any comments.

GDPR Audit

The Acorn Education Trust recently underwent a full GDPR audit with Judicium Education to ensure that the new regulations are being successfully implemented, achieving a RAG rating of green or amber across all areas. The audit concluded that overall the trust had implemented good protection practices and procedures and are on track to be fully compliant, but that there is still room for improvement. While at the moment there is competent understanding and practical application of GDPR between key data protection staff, the audit outlines that overall protection can be bolstered through staff training and further clarity in the policies so they're accessible to all trust staff. Judicium Education has provided an action plan with recommendations for the trust which Jo Ronxin and Karen Bannister (data protection leads) will be putting into place over the coming months.

Some of the upcoming actions include:

- Staff will be receiving further GDPR training which may include e-learning courses; specific modules will include an introduction to GDPR and training on reacting to data breaches
- Expanding some existing and creating new policies to ensure they're clear for all staff members
- New policies will be easily accessible on the new Cleverbox website (launching during term 3); this will include a data breach and reporting policy which all staff will need to familiarise themselves with.
- All new technologies and systems will be subject to a data protection impact assessment to ensure they're safe to use
- Judicium Education and Acorn Education Trust will continue to carry out routine checks on GDPR compliance