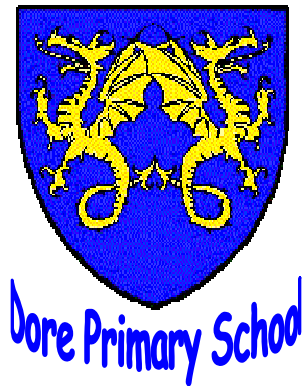


# SCHOOL CHANGE TEAM NEWSLETTER July 12 Issue 4



This is the 4<sup>th</sup> year of the Dore Primary School Change Team (SCT).

The SCT is the parents' chance to make their voice heard and to celebrate the achievements of and to constructively improve the school.

Last year we had 3 Action Groups to look at key issues which parents felt were a priority.

The Y3 Mobile Group was led by James Hope-Gill. The result of this group is that the LA is providing a brand new double mobile during the summer holidays, including the drainage works around it.

The Phonics Group was led by Maria Holmes. Funding from the government (which the school had to match) has enabled Mr Fletcher & Mrs Farrell to purchase new resources for KS1 and KS2, including reading books and resource packs. All KS1 children have 15 minutes daily Phonics teaching. The inset day on 5<sup>th</sup> November is for Teacher training in phonics. We have also built up good links with a leading ESCAL school to share expertise.

The Handwriting Group was led by Helen Shorter. The school will be working with presentation consultant Martin Harvey and will be using a cursive script from R-Y6 from September. Handwriting teaching and practice will be moving into PPA time each week and there will be practice sheets for homework for some children. As the technique is embedded this will not always be exclusively handwriting but will be incorporated into other teaching ie: poetry etc.

The ongoing successes from previous meetings are:- School Dinners, Car Parking, Carpeting of KS2, Code of Conduct for dog owners,

Thank you to all parents who have given constructive comments enabling the SCT to put them forward to the staff and governors.

The dates for the SCT meetings 2012-2013 will be 7 p.m. Monday 1<sup>st</sup> October  
7 p.m. Monday 22<sup>nd</sup> October  
This is a joint review and celebration of work with GB 6 p.m. Thursday 20<sup>th</sup> June

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