

## Hurst Water Meadow News – July 2008

### More flooding

Two inches of rain fell on 2 and 3 June and the meadow was flooded on 5, 6 and 7 June. This was not good news for insects and birds. The wild flowers are doing well and do not seem to have suffered. The spring cut of the middle and upper fields was cancelled as the ground was too wet.

### School visits

Classes 1 and 2 of Dorchester Primary School have visited the meadow to study wild life such as insects and snails and also the river and flooding. All seemed to have enjoyed it. However, class 2 were caught in the heavy rain on 12 June and got thoroughly soaked and had to cut short their visit. They all remained in remarkably good spirits in spite of being cold and wet.

Peter Pritchard, hon secretary



Class 2 of Dorchester Primary School on the meadow