

Friday 20th May 2022



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Academy News

Dates for your Diary

23 rd May – 26 th May	Year 2 SATs Week
24 th May	Oi Frog Competition Winners Announced
27 th May	Platinum Jubilee - Kings & Queens Dress-Up Day
30 th May – 3 rd June	Half Term
6 th June	Start of Summer 2 Term
6 th June	Year 1 Phonics Screening Week
6 th June	Year 4 Multiplication Tables Check Week
29 th June & 30 th June	Open Days
6 th July & 7 th July	Teacher Training Days
21 st July	School Closes for Summer Holidays

- A big congratulations to Year 6 for completing their SATs this week!
- In Year 3, Manjit, from HSBC Bank, visited to discuss with the children why money matters.
- Read about our community LITTER PICK event on 26th May 2022
- For the Platinum Jubilee, we are hosting a Kings and Queens fancy dress day. On the 27th May 2022, please come dressed as a King, Queen, Prince or Princess for the day as we celebrate a once in a lifetime event.

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9th May – 20th May 2022

Nursery AM	87.8%	0 Late	KS1
Nursery PM	80.9%	0 Late	KS1
RB	96.7%	2 Late	KS1
RT	79.0%	0 Late	
RW	94.8%	0 Late	KS1
1D	86.8%	7 Late	
1M	92.0%	7 Late	
1N	94.7%	3 Late	
2B	94.8%	1 Late	
2C	93.3%	5 Late	
2P	95.2%	9 Late	
3C	93.3%	6 Late	
3H	94.0%	13 Late	
3W	92.8%	1 Late	KS2
4A	88.2%	2 Late	
4F	91.4%	6 Late	
4S	96.2%	4 Late	
5B	98.3%	1 Late	KS2
5G	95.2%	11 Late	
5W	91.3%	3 Late	
6E	100%	2 Late	KS2
6R	97.7%	1 Late	KS2
6S	98.7%	2 Late	

**EVERY
DAY
MATTERS**

SCHOOL+YOU = SUCCESS

Attendance
Well done to 6E for
100% attendance
this week.

Punctuality
Well done to all the
classes with 0 late
days.

**Overall
Attendance**

Our attendance this
week:

93.2%

Our attendance this
year:

92.0%

ATTEND TODAY
ACHIEVE TOMORROW



ATTENDANCE WORKS



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Stars of the Week

Nursery AM	Mehar
Nursery PM	Amia
RB	Sienna-Rae
RT	Hanifa
RW	Eesa
1D	Amelia S
1M	Zainab
1N	Tiana
2B	Nasneen
2C	Eliza
2P	Sultan
3C	Yahya
3H	Safiya
3W	Filip
4A	Nishil
4F	Ishmael
4S	Aaron
5B	Shay
5G	Zainab
5W	Elijah
6E	Daanish
6R	Zara M
6S	Riyadh

Reading Stars

At Dorrington, our teachers recognise the importance of lifelong reading. We would like to give special mention to the following students for tremendous effort.

The Reading Star for KS1 is:

Yusef - Reception

The Reading Star for KS2 is:

Oscar - Year 4

Outdoor Education Stars

The children have been working extra hard in Outdoor Education. Mrs. Steventon and Mrs. King would like to give their outstanding award to the following pupils.

The Outdoor Education Star for KS1 is:

Hida - Year 1

The Outdoor Education Star for KS2 is:

Maaryya - Year 4

Sports Stars

Miss Kenny has enjoyed her P.E. lessons with lots of classes across Dorrington. Her students always try their hardest but she would like to mention the following pupils.

The Sports Star for KS1 is:

Makka - Nursery AM

The Sports Star for KS2 is:

Jaheim - Year 3

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Litter Picking

On Thursday 26th May 2022, we hope to hold a community litter pick at 2:30pm. If you are interested in taking part with your child/children please email the office, enquiry@dorrington.bham.sch.uk with your name and details.



Upcoming School Games Events

- Cricket
- Tennis
- Athletics

Details will follow shortly.



School Games

On Monday 16th May, the following Year 3 & 4 pupils will attend a Tri-Golf event and represent the school. We would like to wish them the best of luck!

Bilal, Mustafaa, Khiyis, Malaika,
Amara, Aisha, Komal, Kiranpreet,
Jack S, Samir



After School Clubs

It has been brilliant to see so many smiling faces after school this week.

Clubs will run for half a term and everyone will get the chance to sign up for another club after Whitsun half term. We will email when the sign-up window opens.



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Playground Equipment

- The children are enjoying using the new playground equipment.
- Please ensure you have logged into Arbor and completed the consent form. Until consent is given, your child **will not** be allowed to use the play equipment.
- On days when your child's class are timetabled to use the playground, please send your child with trainers in a bag to put on when it is their turn. **Children should still come to school in the correct school uniform.**
- Children **will not** be allowed on the play equipment in school shoes.
- Below is a timetable for when your child's class will go onto the play equipment each week.



Timetable

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
WB 23-5-22	RW, RB, 5S, 3H	RT, 1N, 5W, 3W	1M, 1D, 4A, 6S	2C, 2B, 4F, 6E	2P, RW, 4S, 6R

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Parking & Seat Belt Reminder

As you are aware, traffic enforcement cameras, similar to the one in the picture below, have been in the area of late.

Please remember, you should not park or stop on yellow zig-zag lines anywhere. Rule 243 of the Highway Code indicates a range of places where motorists must not park or stop. It states that drivers **must not** park or stop near a school entrance or anywhere that would prevent access for emergency services. The rule will often — but not always — be made obvious with yellow zig-zags on the road.

Children must also always wear a seat belt when in a moving vehicle.

Parking outside a school specifically may obstruct visibility for parents and children trying to cross the road and is thus highly dangerous.

Please be considerate of our local community and do not park across the driveway of local residents.

You can remind yourself of the highway code [here](#).



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Bring the Power - Good Luck Competition

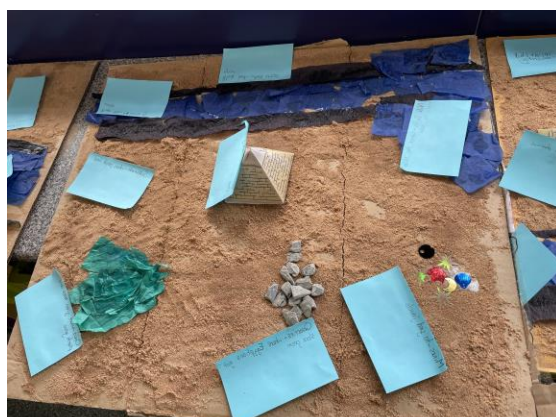
We will soon celebrate the opening of the Birmingham 2022 Commonwealth Games. In preparation, the local schools have been given the opportunity to create 'Good Luck' artwork for the Athletes Village. Here are some examples from Tabasum and Robyn in Year 5. Good luck children!



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Photos from Our Week

This week, Year 3 for been looking at Egyptian Pyramids. In class, they labelled the parts. Filip in 3W also completed as extra special homework task and made a wonderful scene complete with camels.



Recently, Dorrington Academy have enjoyed the restart of after school clubs. Here are some photos from Netball, Drama and Coding Club.



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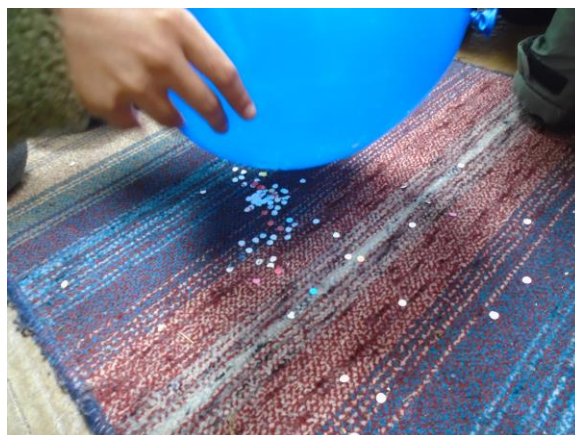
The Outdoor Education team have been up to lots of interesting things over the last two weeks!



Pizza Making



Seed Collecting with
Reception



Static Electricity with Year 4

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Mrs. Miller's Community Events

My name is Mrs. Miller and I would like to take this opportunity to welcome you to the Community Page of the Newsletter. It will be full of fun activities for you to do, prizes for you to win and a section for parents to write their own column. If you have a story that you would like publishing in the newsletter, please feel free to email it to

enquiry@dorrington.bham.sch.uk

(Subject line – Community Parents' Column, FAO Mrs. Miller)

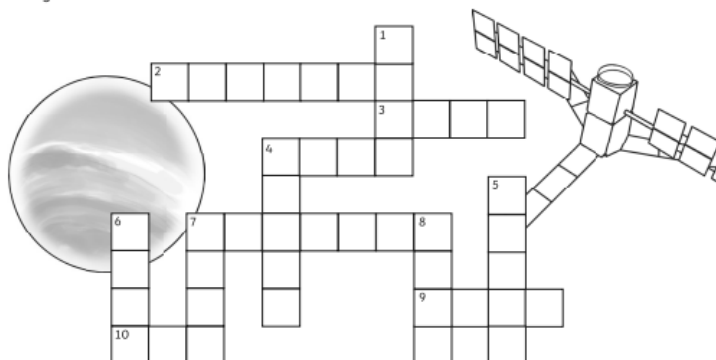
Just for Fun! Space Crossword

Amazing Fact

Space is totally silent because there is no air to carry vibrations.

Challenge

Try out your space knowledge by completing this crossword.



Across

- 2 The 8th planet from the Sun.
- 3 Another word for the Sun.
- 4 The Sun rises in the _____.
- 7 The planet nearest the Sun.
- 9 The Earth spins on its _____.
- 10 The middle of the solar system.

Down

- 1 The Sun sets in the _____.
- 4 A blue planet that has water.
- 5 The path of a planet around the Sun.
- 6 The next planet from the Sun after Earth.
- 7 It takes 28 days to go round the Earth.
- 8 The time it takes for the Earth to go round the Sun.

Parents Suggestions

At the Mother's Day Breakfast, some of our amazing parents and carers suggested brilliant ideas for our community events.

I am working on the ideas and will shortly announce upcoming projects and events to engage our wonderful community.

Useful Information

If you ever need any help or advice, please click on the link below and it will take you the correct service you require.

www.the-waitingroom.org



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Times Tables Rock Stars & Numbots

Currently, there are a number of rock'n'roll Tournaments happening on TT Rockstars.



The battle are as follows:

- 2P vs 2B vs 2C
- 3H vs 3C vs 3W
- 4S vs 4F vs 4A
- 5G vs 5B vs 3W



Recently, Year 1 children have received their Numbots log-ins. Here the children can practise their addition and subtraction skills amongst others.

If you require a log-in, please ask your Class Teacher.

www.ttrockstars.com www.numbots.com

Times Tables Rockstars Tournament Winners

Date: 6th May – 13th May

Year 2 Class: 2C

MVP: Rayaan

Year 3 Class: 3H

MVP: Dylan

Year 4 Class: 4S

MVP: Aaron



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Reminders

Please log into Arbor to access your child's data and consent options.

Here you can update meal choices, change contact details and update various consents such as playground use, school trips and food tasting.



Year 2 have now started swimming lessons. Please make sure your child brings their swimming kit every Thursday.



Uniform

Dorrington Academy expect all children to be in the Academy's uniform as listed below. School ties, jumpers, cardigans and book bags may be ordered from Uniform Plus located on Walsall Road.

	Boys	Girls	P.E.
Winter (from Sept)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Grey trousers. White shirt. School tie. Royal blue V necked jumper with school logo. Black school shoes. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Grey skirt or trousers. White shirt. School tie. Royal blue cardigan or V necked jumper with school logo. Black school shoes (no heels). 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> For indoor activities - Navy blue/Black shorts, house coloured t-shirt and black pumps. For outdoor activities - navy blue/black jogging bottoms, house coloured t-shirt, royal blue cardigan or jumper with school logo and trainers.
Summer (from April)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Grey shorts or trousers. White shirt. School tie. Royal blue V necked jumper with school logo. Black school shoes. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Blue and white summer dress. Royal blue cardigan or V necked jumper with school logo. Black school shoes (no heels or open toe shoes). 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> All watches, rings, chains and bracelets must be removed <p>House Colours</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Emerald – Green Ruby – Red Sapphire – Blue Diamond – Yellow

From Birmingham With Love



We've all been through a tough time with Covid-19 and repeated lockdowns. For many families it has just been getting harder, which is why we're here to help. Here are some of our partners' most used services and support, which might make life a little bit easier...



1. **Online parenting course.** We've pre-paid for every parent in Birmingham to access a [parenting course](#). Just enter the access code "[COMMUNITY](#)" at the top of the page to claim. There are courses for parents, carers and grandparents of children from bump to 19. Learn about how your child develops and get tips to manage their behaviour.



2. **Emergency food & fuel assistance** up to £100. Birmingham has announced an emergency food package —please contact one of our [local team](#) who will be able to help directly with a grant, often within 48 hours. There are also [food banks](#) across Birmingham that are here to help.



3. **Mental health support.** For young people aged 11-25 there are forums, guides and counselling available completely free at [Kooth](#). If your child 0-25 needs support, get in touch with [Pause](#) or by calling 0207 841 4470. Adults can get support from [MIND](#) by calling 0121 262 3555. Or for urgent help call [Forward Thinking Birmingham](#) on 0300 300 0099. And remember to stay [active](#).



4. **Financial help.** If you've lost your job or are struggling for food or rent, there are services that can help. [Local welfare provision](#) can make a big difference if you are in a crisis and need food, fuel or basic white goods. [Discretionary Housing Payments](#) may be able to help with rent. And there are [food banks](#) across Birmingham that are here to help.



5. **Domestic abuse.** For women and children affected by domestic abuse please see [guidance](#) or confidentially contact [Birmingham and Solihull Women's Aid](#). For Men, please contact [Re-spect](#). Also [Ask for ANI](#) and the [Safe Spaces](#) scheme where victims can access help through pharmacies.



6. **Problems with drugs or alcohol.** A new, discrete app called Staying Free is available on Android or Apple. Use the code "[birmingham11](#)" for pre-paid access. To speak to someone call [Change Grow Live](#) or contact [Aquarius](#) for young people.



7. **Bereavement support.** It's a terrible time to lose a loved one — you can get help by calling 0121 687 8010 or from [Cruse](#) or [Edward's Trust](#)

8. **Early help for families.** If anyone in your family needs more help, from public services or community groups, then please contact our [voluntary sector local leads](#). We have ten areas which can connect you to support across the city.

If you are worried about a child, please call Birmingham's Children's Advice and Support Service on 0121 303 1888. In an emergency, including child abuse, contact the Police on 999. You can also [chat](#) to the Police. For any other help, from public services or community groups, then please contact our [voluntary sector local team](#). There are ten area hubs across the city which can connect you to support.