

Friday 30th September 2022



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Academy News



**Reception and Nursery
September 2023 Open Evening**

Tuesday 1st November 2022
4pm – 5pm

Please telephone the school office to confirm
your attendance on 0121 464 5330



Please note: Some diary dates
have change.

Dates for your Diary

Thursday 20th October	Pink Day for Cancer Research £1 donation
Friday 21st October	Last Day of Autumn 1 Term
Monday 31st October	Start of Autumn 2
Tuesday 1st November 2022	Open Day for Reception and Nursery 2023
Monday 7th November	Parents' Evening 4pm-7pm
Monday 14th & Tuesday 15th November	School Photographs
Thursday 17th November	Children in Need £1 donation
Wednesday 21st December	Last Day of Autumn 2 – 1:30pm finish
Thursday 22nd December	Teacher Training Day
Monday 9th January 2023	Start of Spring 1

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Upcoming Term Dates

Friday 21st October	Last Day of Autumn 1 Term
Monday 31st October 2022	Start of Autumn 2
Wednesday 21st December 2022	Last Day of Autumn 2 – 1:30pm finish
Thursday 22nd December 2022	Teacher Training Day
Monday 9th January 2023	Start of Spring 1
Friday 17th February 2023	Last Day of Spring 1
Monday 27th February 2023	Start of Spring 2
Friday 31st March 2023	Last Day of Spring 2
Monday 17th April 2023	Start of Summer 1
Friday 26th May 2023	Last Day of Summer 1
Monday 5th June 2023	Start of Summer 2



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19th – 30th September 2022

RB	94.18%	3 Late
RS	89.73%	1 Late
RW	87.75%	4 Late
1B	96.00%	6 Late
1D	94.58%	3 Late
1W	93.95%	1 Late
2A	96.89%	12 Late
2C	90.00%	12 Late
2F	93.75%	4 Late
3E	92.27%	7 Late
3G	93.53%	9 Late
3H	92.71%	6 Late
4B	95.39%	3 Late
4C	92.50%	10 Late
4S	94.87%	11 Late
5B	93.10%	5 Late
5J	93.53%	21 Late
5K	94.82%	24 Late
6R	97.71%	9 Late
6S	97.24%	17 Late
6W	92.92%	8 Late

**EVERY
DAY
MATTERS**

SCHOOL+YOU = SUCCESS

**Overall
Attendance**

Our attendance this
week:

91.97%

Our attendance this
year:

90.16%

Attendance

Congratulations to
1B, 2A, 6R & 6S for
being above 'good'
attendance.

Punctuality

Well done to RS &
1W for 1 late days.

ATTEND TODAY
ACHIEVE TOMORROW



ATTENDANCE WORKS



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Stars of the Week

RB	Bella
RS	Alayna
RW	Michael
1B	Hasil
1D	Taha
1W	Raha
2A	Gyan
2C	Hania
2F	Hida
3E	Hafsah
3G	Amirah
3H	Adam
4B	Basira
4C	Maryam
4S	Filip
5B	Charlie
5J	Abderrahman
5K	Ritaj
6R	Jehvony
6S	Robyn
6W	Amelia

Computing Stars

At Dorrington, our Teachers recognise the importance of being digitally literate. We would like to give special mention to the following students for tremendous effort.

The Computing Star for KS1 is:

Isla - Year 2

The Computing Star for KS2 is:

Isaac - 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:

Mysha - Reception

The Outdoor Education Star for KS2 is:

Manal - Year 5

Sports Stars

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

The Sports Star for KS1 is:

Zakariyya - Year 2

The Sports Star for KS2 is:

Rebecca - Year 4

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Unicef Silver: Rights Aware Award

This award is the second stage of the Rights Respecting Schools Award.

It is granted by UNICEF UK to schools that show good progress towards embedding children's rights in the school's policy, practice and ethos.

This award will be valid for the next 3 years.

Achieving Silver: Rights Aware means that:

- We have embedded the UN Convention on the Rights of the Child in its policy, practice and culture.
- We promote knowledge and understanding of the Convention throughout school.
- Children and young people are beginning to see themselves as rights respecting global citizens and advocates for fairness and children's rights, both locally and globally.



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Year 2 Ambassadors

Gyan Viridi 2A
Haniya Emaan 2C



Year 6 Headteachers Personal Assistant

Maha Hussain



Year 6 Head Boy & Head Girl

Head Boy: Haneil Raza
Deputy Head Boy: Mohammed Sanneh

Head Girl: Nabiha Rahmen
Deputy Head Girl: Avneet Jutla



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House Captains

Each year, Key Stage 2 votes for their House Captain and Vice House Captain. Many children this year showed courage and bravery when they delivered their speeches for the role to the house teams. Congratulations to the following pupils.

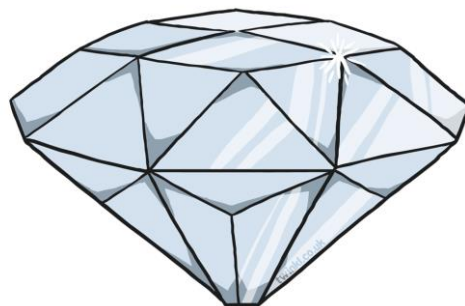
Emeralds

House Captain: Aisha Riaz 6S
Vice Captain: Gagandeep Singh 6R



Diamonds

House Captain: Amelia Hussain 5J
Vice Captain: Mikel Charles 6R



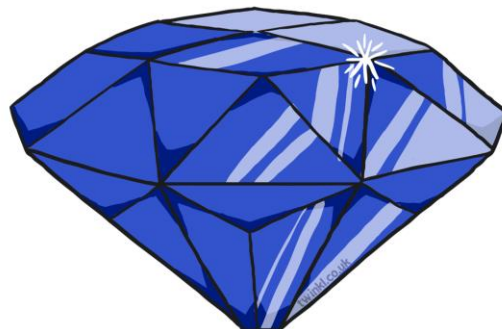
Rubies

House Captain: Aisha Johnson 6S
Vice Captain: Esa Beckford Bennet 6W



Sapphires

House Captain: Oscar King 5J
Vice Captain: Aaron Kattri 6R



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Macmillan Coffee Morning

Thank you to all the parents and carers that attended this year's coffee morning. Please see our photo pages for some snaps on the day.



Rocksteady Starts

Rocksteady lessons are back this year and the children are already enjoying learning how to play the keyboards, drums and guitars.



Jeans for Genes Day

Thank you for all your kind donations. The children looked wonderful sporting denim. This charity help to support those living with genetic disorders.



Swimming

The children have been enjoying their time in our new school pool. Please see the swimming page for further details.



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Playground Equipment

- From next week, weather permitting, children will be able to use the new outdoor play 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.
- On the next page is a timetable for when your child's class will go onto the play equipment each week. These are split into two sessions.
- Session times are as follows:
 - Key Stage 1 & EYFS
 - Session 1 – 12:25 to 12:45
 - Session 2 – 12:45 to 1:05
 - Key Stage 2
 - Session 1 – 12:30 to 12:55
 - Session 2 – 12:55 to 1:20



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EYFS & KS1 Timetable

Sessions	Monday		Tuesday		Wednesday		Thursday		Friday	
	1	2	1	2	1	2	1	2	1	2
WB 3-10-22	1B	1D	1W	RB	RS	RW	2A	2C	2F	1B
WB 10-10-22	1D	1W	RB	RS	RW	2A	2C	2F	1B	1D
WB 17-10-22	1W	RB	RS	RW	2A	2C	2F	1B	1D	1W
WB 24-10-22										
WB 31-10-22	RB	RS	RW	2A	2C	2F	1B	1D	1W	RB
WB 7-11-22	RS	RW	2A	2C	2F	1B	1D	1W	RB	RS
WB 14-11-22	RW	2A	2C	2F	1B	1D	1W	RB	RS	RW
WB 21-11-22	2A	2C	2F	1B	1D	1W	RB	RS	RW	2A
WB 28-11-22	2C	2F	1B	1D	1W	RB	RS	RW	2A	2C
WB 5-12-22	2F	1B	1D	1W	RB	RS	RW	2A	2C	2F
WB 12-12-22	1B	1D	1W	RB	RS	RW	2A	2C	2F	1B
WB 19-12-22	1D	1W	RB	RS						

EYFS & KS1 Session Times

Session 1 – 12:25 to 12:45

Session 2 – 12:45 to 1:05

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KS2 Timetable

Sessions	Monday		Tuesday		Wednesday		Thursday		Friday	
	1	2	1	2	1	2	1	2	1	2
WB 3-10-22	4B	4C	4S	3E	3G	3H	6R	6S	6W	5B
WB 10-10-22	5J	5K	4B	4C	4S	3E	3G	3H	6R	6S
WB 17-10-22	6W	5B	5J	5K	4B	4C	4S	3E	3G	3H
WB 24-10-22										
WB 31-10-22	6R	6S	6W	5B	5J	5K	4B	4C	4S	3E
WB 7-11-22	3G	3H	6R	6S	6W	5B	5J	5K	4B	4C
WB 14-11-22	4S	3E	3G	3H	6R	6S	6W	5B	5J	5K
WB 21-11-22	4B	4C	4S	3E	3G	3H	6R	6S	6W	5B
WB 28-11-22	5J	5K	4B	4C	4S	3E	3G	3H	6R	6S
WB 5-12-22	6W	5B	5J	5K	4B	4C	4S	3E	3G	3H
WB 12-12-22	6R	6S	6W	5B	5J	5K	4B	4C	4S	3E
WB 19-12-22	3G	3H	6R	6S						

KS2 Session Times

Session 1 – 12:30 to 12:55

Session 2 – 12:55 to 1:20

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Times Tables Rock Stars & Numbots

Currently, there are a number of Battle of the Bands Tournaments happening on TT Rockstars. A new tournament begins every Monday.



The battle are as follows:

- 2A vs 2C vs 2F
- 3H vs 3G vs 3E
- 4C vs 4S vs 4B
- 5B vs 5K vs 5J
- 6W vs 6S vs 6R



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

TTRS Tournament Winners

Year 2

Class: 2F MVP: Amber 2F

Year 3

Class: 3H MVP: Rayyan 3H

Year 4

Class: 4S MVP: Filip 4S

Year 5

Class: 5K MVP: Amaan 5K

Year 6

Class: 6W MVP: Makkiyah 6W



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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.

In Autumn, all year groups will begin swimming lessons.

Please make sure you provide your child with the necessary swimming kit to take part. (please see the swimming page)



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. 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
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). 	

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Swimming Kit

We are delighted to inform you that from next week, all children in Years 1 to 6 will have a weekly swimming lesson until the end of the Autumn term.

Swimming is part of the National Curriculum and all the children are expected to participate.

All lessons will take place on site at Dorrington Academy. **Children may wear P.E. kit on their swimming day.**

Children will need to bring the following items with them:

- **Swimming Costume**
 - **Girls – 1-piece costume**
 - **Boys – trunks or shorts (not to cover below the knee)**
- **Swimming hat – for children with long hair**
- **Towel**
- **Suitable swim bag for wet items**
- **Flip-flops**

Please ensure that earrings are removed and that long hair is tied back.

Year groups will swim on the following days:

Day	Year Group
Monday	Year 1
Tuesday	Year 2
Wednesday	Year 5
Thursday	Year 4
Friday	Year 3

Year 6 children will be told the day of their lesson by their class teacher.



Thank-you for your continued support.

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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

Macmillan Coffee Morning

K Q C D Q H Q R M H O O A U I T A V C Z T Z Y B
B B E O V A N U U Q I C D P J U Z E J D K O I H
N F I M K J K G C H R Y R U V H L U Q J R X G D
X R B S M H E P E T V M V D D Y T U D E P N H H G
L Z Z P I B F I O T R P W Y S Q G R E E N K T P
A D D O H T F J A C A C P U C N N F V E U K H Z
H N Y B R T A V K F Z U W X J B I M J F E N Q O
S K X F D H B I S C U I T S D V F F G S R M R K
D Y F Q I A A E O U S O G O O N M T F C Q P R D
N M E V H C N P S R E C U A S D J T U U S T R O
E P E K U Y V A P Q Q R V C U P O M R M M F E B
I C A U Y E F T R E N L V N Q G D A A Y U A G I
R Z O C N X X D H T V E G U E E B C G G I G S C
F A G A W W R Q H L M O E T O X K M U G M P O H
Q G Q K H K H O O Y I I H F P B A I S L Y Y O A
F B D E I U H R B D J E L F F K H L L R C O T M
A O U S G P J F N P R M G K M O G L U K M K R M
I K N Z M B L S P H B O A R T T C A Z O G Z A N
M L I L N E I L P Q M W C O T U S N R E H K R I
N G O N D Z E R Z F B L V G E Y W N T M L I Z I
G U C N I H J P J H J A H Z G L I C N W M T Z S
S I J A G N V O Z M X L P I Z N L R M O X I T W
F U M Z C R J D N X F Z T Q G W I G H G G Y T L
I G F C A R I N G B C A N C E R J L L N L C U U



Organised in aid of Macmillan Cancer Support, registered charity in England and Wales (201171), Scotland (SC019957) and the Isle of Man (1046). Also operating in Northern Ireland.

Biscuits	Friends	Together	Saucers
Cup	Milk	Sugar	Cakes
Morning	Green	Caring	Help
Muffins	Cancer	Macmillan	Coffee

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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Photos from Our Week

Macmillan Coffee Morning



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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](#).



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.