

Friday 11th November 2022



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Academy News

As we get ready for this year's Christmas Market, make sure you grab your raffle tickets in the playground at the end of the day.

Please note school photographs have been rescheduled for after the Christmas holidays.

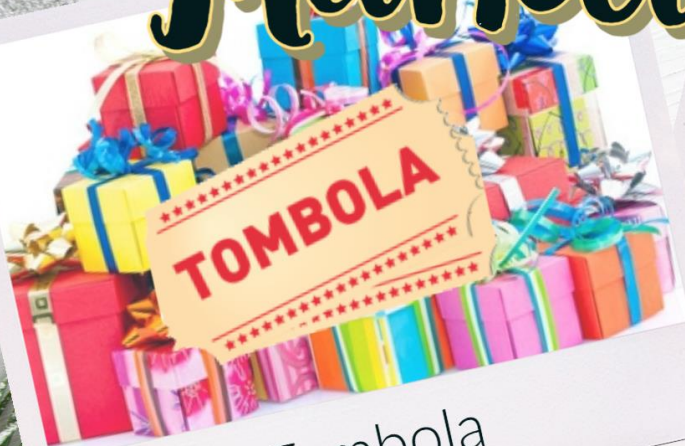


Dates for your Diary

Monday 7th – 14th November	Scholastic Book Fair
Monday 14th – Wednesday 16th November	TTRS England Rock Competition
Thursday 17th November	Children in Need £1 donation
Wednesday 30th Nov & Thursday 1st Dec	Christmas Market
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
Monday 23rd & Tuesday 24th January	School Photographs

You're invited to this year's

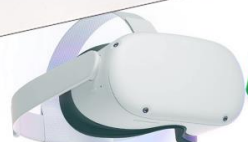
Dorrington Christmas Market!



Tombola



Santa's Grotto



Meta Quest 2



£2 Raffle



Auction on Thursday

**30th November &
1st December
4pm til 7pm**

Also at the market:

- Christmas Games
- Sweets
- Popcorn
- Asian Food

Christmas Market Raffle!



Meta Quest 2



Meta Quest 2

£2

per ticket

ASDA
Gift Card

Asda Voucher



Luxury Food Hamper

30th November
& 1st December

Also at the market:

- Auction on 1st Dec
- Santa's Grotto
- Tombola
- Christmas Games
- Sweets
- Popcorn
- Asian Food

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Upcoming Term Dates

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





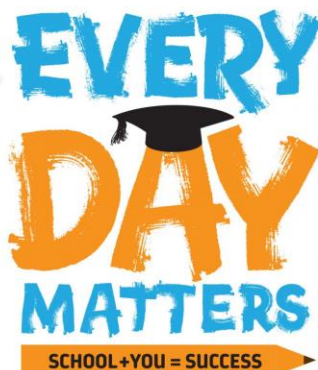
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31st – 11th November 2022

Nursery AM	87.74%	0 Late
Nursery PM	76.19%	1 Late
RB	89.48%	2 Late
RS	94.18%	3 Late
RW	86.96%	4 Late
1B	90.48%	10 Late
1D	91.33%	12 Late
1W	95.86%	1 Late
2A	91.83%	4 Late
2C	91.00%	15 Late
2F	96.67%	17 Late
3E	91.33%	7 Late
3G	87.02%	11 Late
3H	95.46%	7 Late
4B	96.67%	18 Late
4C	94.00%	23 Late
4S	93.20%	20 Late
5B	93.28%	8 Late
5J	94.14%	21 Late
5K	92.46%	16 Late
6R	93.00%	19 Late
6S	93.00%	29 Late
6W	97.00%	9 Late

KS1



Attendance

Congratulations to 6W for having the best attendance in their Key Stage.

Punctuality

Well done to Nursery AM for 0 late days.

Overall Attendance

Our attendance this week:

92.62%

Our attendance this year:

93.18%

ATTEND TODAY
ACHIEVE TOMORROW



ATTENDANCE WORKS



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Stars of the Week

Nursery AM	Zahra
Nursery PM	Safa
RB	Teia
RS	Makka
RW	Mysha
1B	Moosa
1D	Viya
1W	Anaiya
2A	Eesah
2C	Alessia
2F	Chickamso
3E	Tatiana
3G	Zayaan
3H	Eyole
4B	Safa
4C	Ajwa
4S	Miruna
5B	Diamond
5J	Ehsaan
5K	Maarya
6R	Abheyjot
6S	Sehr
6W	Savhman

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:

Nuh - Year 1

The Computing Star for KS2 is:

Dawood - 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:

Sienna-Rae - Year 1

The Outdoor Education Star for KS2 is:

Sonia - 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:

Accalia - Reception

The Sports Star for KS2 is:

Rekario - 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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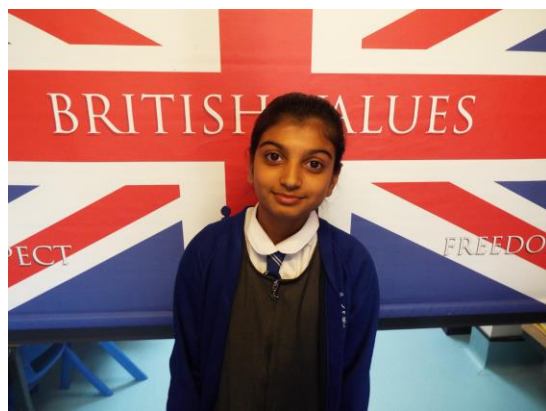
Year 2 Ambassadors

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 Sanusi 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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Pink Day

Before the half term, the school was full of pink outfits.

Thank you for all the kind donation to support Cancer Research. Please see the photos for the day further down.



Black History Week

Before the half term, the children enjoyed learning all about different significant people and events and their positive impacts.

Please see the photos below to see some of the work completed by the children.



Animal Man Attendance Treat

This term, the classes with the best attendance in their year group received a special treat. The Animal Man team brought their favourite creatures to visit the children.

Please see the photos from the day further down.



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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.
- 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 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 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						

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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: Khalid 2F

Year 3

Class: 3H MVP: Zayaan 3H

Year 4

Class: 4S MVP: Umar 4B

Year 5

Class: 5B MVP: Isa 5B

Year 6

Class: 6R MVP: Zoha 6R



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ENGLAND ROCKS

14TH - 16TH NOVEMBER

7:30AM GMT TO 7:30PM GMT DAILY

Winning class will have the highest
number of correct answers per pupil.

PLAY IN
ANY
GAME TYPE

1-HOUR
TIME LIMIT
PER PERSON

Ask your teacher for full details or visit:
TTROCKSTARS.COM/PAGE/ENGLANDROCKS22



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Times Tables Rock Stars England Rocks Competition

Dear parent/carer,

We're celebrating Maths Week England by taking part in a friendly times tables (and division) competition. **The competition runs from 07:30am Monday 14th November to 7:30pm Wednesday 16th November.** It's all done online via play.ttrockstars.com.

Children can play in any gamemode with every correct answer to a multiplication or division question, earning themselves, their class and the school a point. The Times Tables Rock Stars platform will calculate the class average (the number of correct answers per pupil in the class who play during the competition hours, subject to a daily 60-minute limit (see below)). Winning classes in the school and in the competition as a whole will be the ones with the highest average.

To support player wellbeing, there is a **daily time limit of 60-minutes per player**. Once the player goes beyond 60-minutes of play on that day, they will still earn coins but will no longer earn points towards the competition.

In the spirit of the competition, please don't play on their behalf but by all means encourage and support them to the extent that it doesn't cause high stress levels or impact on family plans.

If you require a log-in or any further information, please ask your Class Teacher.
www.ttrockstars.com

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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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Just for Fun

Remembrance Day

T E B G K S P S E H K H N P Z J E M O Z E A R U
N O X K I P Y W O Z F L E S I O L S F Z R M J V
N J K G Q Q J X N U Q A B R E Z E U Z X E H C W
V K C G D L A D E M C I M J M E V N G O B Z D O
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armistice	battle	ceasefire	conflict	eleventh
field	flanders	freedom	medal	memorial
peace	poppy	remember	sacrifice	service
silence	soldier	sunday	veteran	war
wreath				

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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Community Litter Pick

Dorrington Academy has organised a Community Litter Pick on:

Rescheduled - Stay tuned

Meeting place: Dorrington Academy, Dorrington Road, Perry Barr B42 1QR

To volunteer contact:

Email: enquiry@dorrington.bham.sch.uk

Telephone: 0121 464 5330

Alternatively, please see Mrs. Miller to sign up when you collect your children at home time.



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Photos from Our Academy

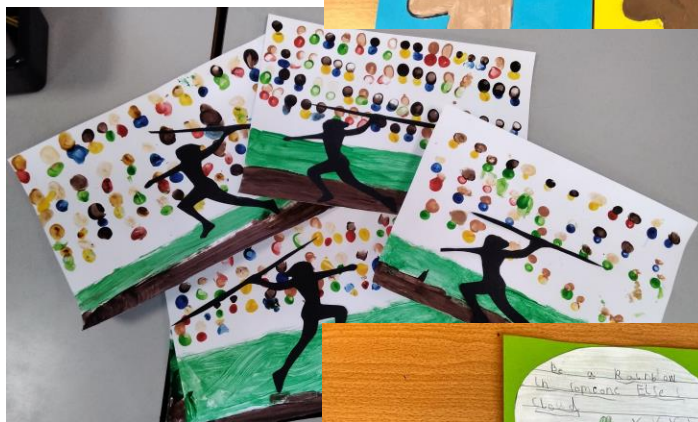
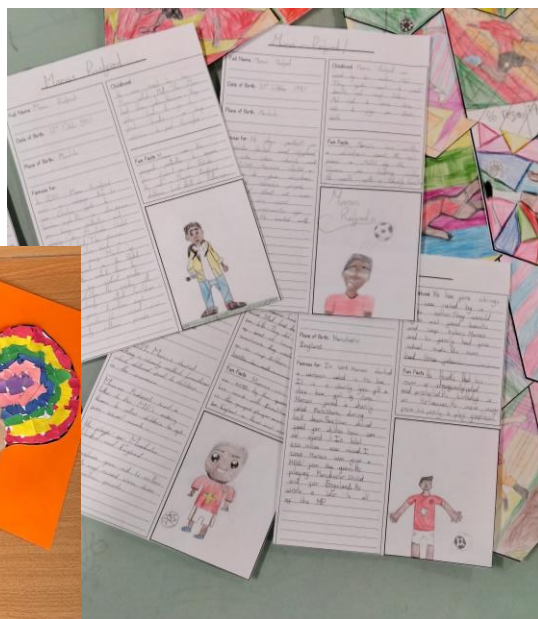
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Photos from Our Academy

Black History Week



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Year 3's Stone Age model homework. Well done children!



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Photos from Our Academy

Animal man attendance treat.



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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.