





YEAR 7 STRATEGY



PARENTS



SCHOOL





Dormston School aims to inspire confident, motivated students who have a passion for learning and are fully equipped to contribute to society.

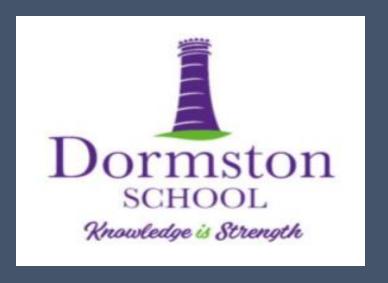


To achieve the vision we will aim to create a vibrant school which provides every student with the means to excel academically and develop into the best version of themselves.



Effort, Knowledge, Respect, Responsibility, Resilience

Our Vision, Mission & Values



This is how we do it here

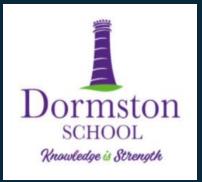
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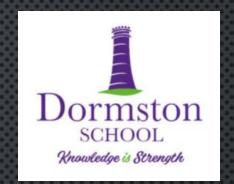
Parent/Carer: I/We will:

- Make the school aware of issues that might affect my child's work or well-being
- See that my child comes to school regularly and arrives on time (please note our school target is 97%)
- Ensure that my child is properly equipped for lessons (e.g. stationery and books)
- Ensure that my child does not bring valuable items into school (e.g. mobile phone/air pods/smart watches) unless left at Student Reception
- Ensure that my child wears the correct school uniform (as detailed on website)

- Support school policies and guidelines for behaviour (see school website)
- Attend Parents' Evening and other discussions about my child's progress
- Endeavour to get to know about my child's life in school
- Not take my child out of school during term time unless there are exceptional circumstances (approved by Head Teacher)
- Inform school of any changes of address/telephone number
- Treat all staff with respect and courtesy

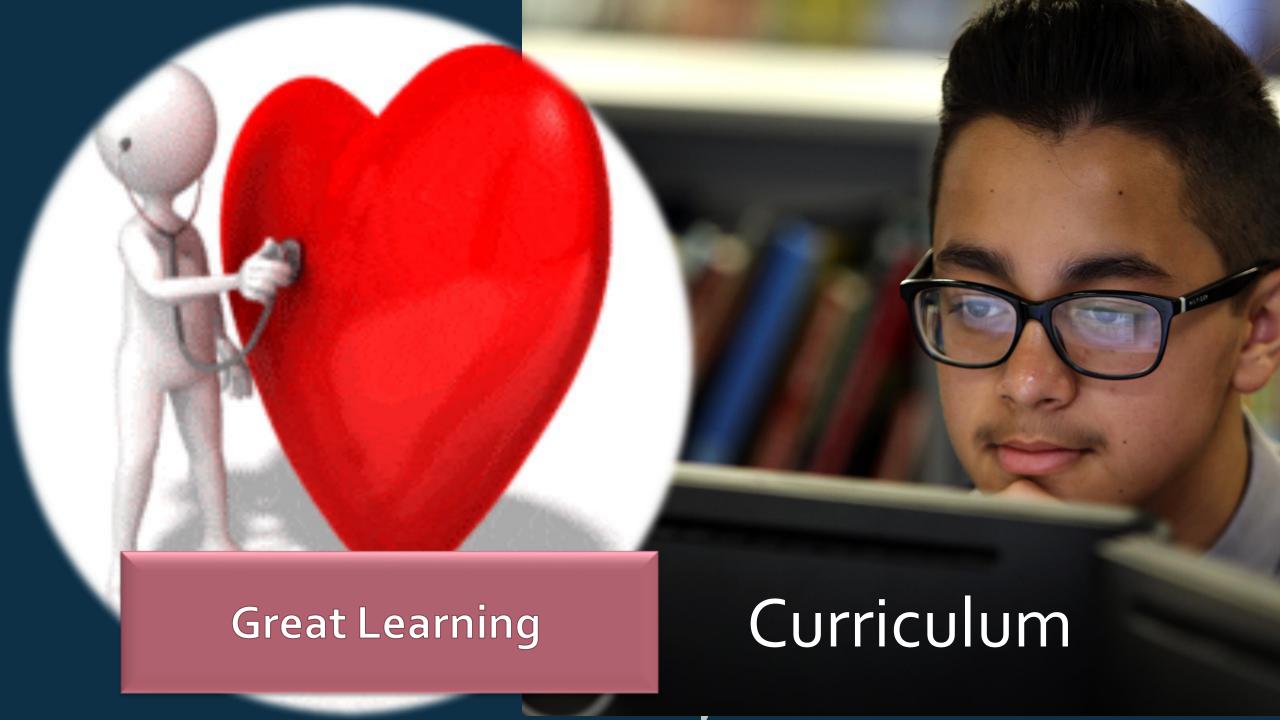


OUR SCHOOL DAY IN CONSULTATION



Proposed School Day From 4 September 2023

8:40am – 9:00am	AM Registration/Assembly	
9:00am - 10::00am	Lesson 1	
10:05am – 11:05am	Lesson 2	
11:05am 11:20am	Break	
11:20am – 12:20pm	Lesson 3	
12:25pm – 1:25pm	Lesson 4	
1:25pm – 1:55pm	Lunch	
1:55pm – 2:55pm	Lesson 5	
3:00pm – 3:10pm	PM Registration	



Behaviour and expectations

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SUCCESS FOR YOURSELF



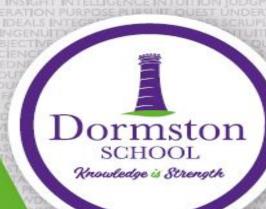
- Wear your uniform correctly and with pride.
- Put 100% effort into all that you do.



SUCCESS AROUND SCHOOL

& IN THE COMMUNITY

- Walk calmly and sensibly.
- No pushing or contact.
- Use the correct stairwells around school.
- Do not drop litter.
 - Respect the environment.





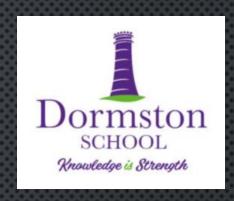


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 - At the end of a lesson wait until you are dismissed.



UNIFORM





Current Changes

- We are adding a blue shirt option.
- Year 7 will require a plain branded jumper.
- When your child graduates into the House system school will supply the appropriate branded jumper.
- Plain black tracksuit bottoms are plain purple / black socks acceptable for PE. No leggings.

Form tutor will be first port of call for any uniform concerns

OUR UNIFORM

Jewellery:

One set of small earrings, one ring, one bracelet. No nose studs.

Hair Styles:

No extreme hair styles, including fashion colours. No tramlines or less than a grade 2

Clothing:

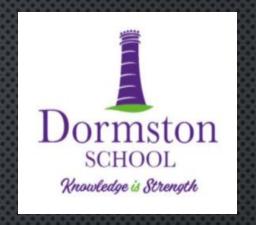
No trainers, no body warmers, no hooded tops or sport logo tops. Black, blue, grey coat.

Makeup:

Not permitted in year 7. No false eyelashes, extensions or nail extensions. Clear nail varnish only.

Four uniform suppliers:

Totally uniform, Abbiss (Wombourne) Bilston Market and Crested. Pre-loved Uniform Service is available





Safeguarding

Safeguarding Leads







Nick Amos

Lisa Smith



Jayne Elliott

A culture of vigilance

SAFEGUARDING



How can I keep myself safe?

Know how to spot the signs;

Report anything that doesn't field right.

Always question why a stranger would contact you or buy you gifts.

Report any changes in the behaviour / emotions of your family and friends which concerns you.

Follow some basic rules;

Try to walk to shill from school with others.

Always have charge on your mobile phone.

Consider road askey rules.

Make sure you always sell somebody where you are and who you are meeting.

Nover meet up with a strangerhameure you have met on sood media.

Follow IT salety rules.

How can I tell someone?

Tell a teacher, tell a friend, email the school, tell a parent/carer Use the 'Be Heard box' in the PLC Speak to an Anti-Bullying Ambassador

> Look on our website for useful charities and advice

What does bullying look like?

Not respecting others beliefs/opinions. Verbally abusing others.

ndirect abuse through social media, spreading rumours or ignoring others

Physically abusing others.

REMEMBER, BULLYING IS A REPEATED IMBALANCE OF POWER!

Are you IT Safe?

Keep your password sale and charge it often. Include apper and lowercase letters, numbers and symbols in all passwords

Never give personal details to others

Do not post anything on social media that you wouldn't show to your parentsicarurs

Abusire or threatening messages or being in possession of inappropriate images is against the law.

Don't post anything on the internet the could be upsetting emberrassing to you or others.

How do I stay Safe in School?

Follow staff instructions at all times
Follow the one way system
Do not stopblock corridors
No play fighting
No runninglpushing in school

No smoking/vaping on the school site

STAY SAFE AND KEEP EVERYONE ELSE SAFE!

Extra Curricular

FENCING SCIENCE ART

COOKING

CRAFG

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DRAMA

ARCHERY

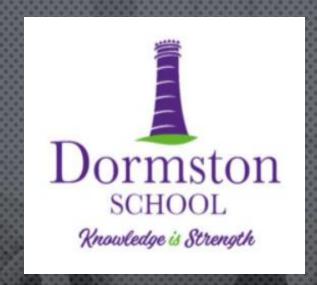
DANCE

SCHOOL MAGAZINE



Communication





DORMSTON SCHOOL

YEAR 6 INDUCTION EVENING

WELCOME TO YEAR 7

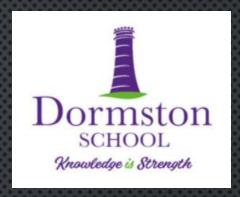
EVERYTHING WE GO THROUGH TONIGHT WILL BE AVAILABLE IN YOUR INFORMATION PACK

Good communication between school and home are essential.

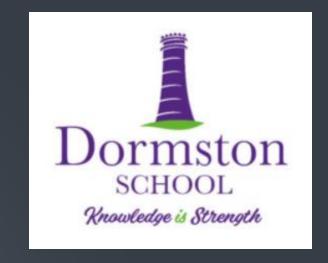
It is essential we have 2 student contact details, including e-mail addresses

Medication

- > Information has been passed on from primary school.
- > Inhalers must be carried by your child if suffering with asthma





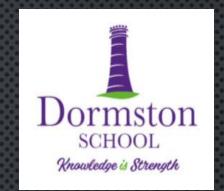


THE TEAM

- Head of Year: Mr Cooksey
- 8 Tutor Groups: First port of call
- Behaviour and Welfare Team
- Designated Safeguarding Team

- Student Leadership Team
- Peer Mentors

OUR PASTORAL SYSTEM THIS IS HOW WE DO IT HERE



Year 7 start their journey as a year group

- Weekly assemblies to embed our Core Values, culture and ethos, alongside topical issues and safeguarding awareness.
- Competition and events to promote a sense of community and contributing to whole school life.

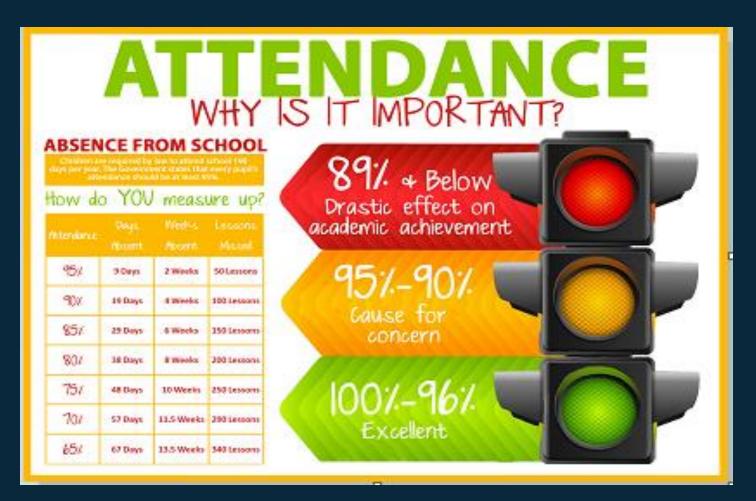
When they are Dormston ready, pupils will graduate into the House system











School Target: 97%

Your child is **responsible** for their own attendance - It shows **resilience!**

Punctuality

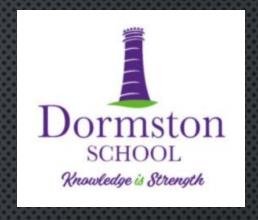
If your child is late to school, your child will be issued with a late event.

If your child's punctuality continues to be a concern, we will invite parents/carers into school for a meeting

OUR PASTORAL SYSTEM

We encourage our students to become independent learners and as such it is vital they are always fully prepared for their learning. They will need:

- ✓ A bag
- ✓ pens
- ✓ pencils
- ✓ a ruler
- ✓ a rubber
- √ a pencil sharpener
- √ a calculator
- ✓ their reading book Foster love of learning



Form tutor checks each am reg

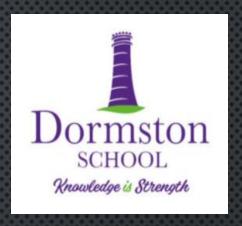
Parents/carers will be contacted with any concerns



OTHER VALUABLES: MOBILE PHONE POLICY

Air pods / smart phone/ smart watch not allowed

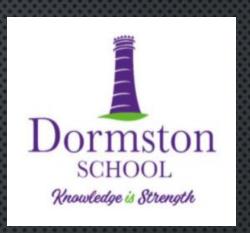
- Hand in at Pupil Reception or switch off in school bag
- If seen or heard asked to switch off and place in bag (reasonable request)
- If there is refusal the device will be confiscated and returned at the end of the day
- Please note if you need to contact your child you can contact the school reception





GO4SCHOOLS

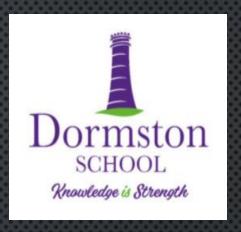
Our on line system that enables parents/carers to have access to live information



- Timetable
- Homework
- Behaviour
- Attendance
- Academic Progress



HOMEWORK



Your child will receive homework each day

Homework will be set on Go4Schools

Homework timetables will be issued in September to start during the 3rd week of term once Year 7 have settled

BEHAVIOUR - PREPARED FOR SUCCESS



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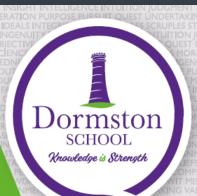
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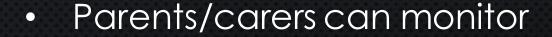
Highest expectations in terms of behaviour

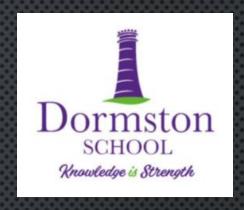
- Disruption free learning
- Feeling safe in school
- Developing positive relationship with staff and peers
- Learning from mistakes.

Positive outweighing negatives - Rewards

BIOMETRIC SYSTEM/ PARENTPAY

- Allows for a cash free society
- Pupils will receive an individual biometric code. Money can be added via our e-payment system - ParentPay
- At lunchtime pupils select the food they want, place their finger on the biometric reader, and the process is complete





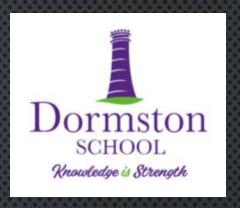


BEING THE BEST VERSION OF YOURSELF

- Settling in evening Meet the tutor
- Targeted Year 7 Evening

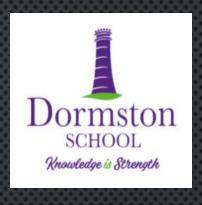


- PLC induction
- Visit to a theatre
- Charity event
- Community based experience
- Represent the school in a sporting, cultural or academic event
- Activities week





CONCERNS AND SUPPORT



- Please do not sit at home worrying. Often a short phone call is all that is needed
- Please feel free to contact the school at any point. The school has a 48hour turn around to answers queries and concerns.

ENTITLEMENT OF FSM - CHANGE IN CIRCUMSTANCES MAKE US AWARE

HARDSHIP FUND

FRIENDS OF DORMSTON

Details of the Year 7 Curriculum can be found on the school website.

THANK YOU

ANY QUESTIONS ?.

STAFF WILL BE AVAILABLE IN THE ATRIUM