

Parental Communication & Engagement



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Message from Headteacher

It has been great to welcome all our students back to school this week. We hope you have all had a wonderful summer break and that students have returned refreshed and ready for the exciting year ahead!

A special welcome also goes to our new Year 7 parents/carers and students. Our Weekly Bulletin is sent out every Friday and is where we give you an update on what's happened during the week and provide you with general reminders and information along with what's coming up in the week ahead, so please do take the time to read this bulletin each week so you can stay up-to-date with school life.

Assemblies took place on Wednesday with all year groups where the focus was on re-establishing our core values as we start the new school year.

Dormston Reading Award was launched to our Year 7 students during assembly (please see the updates section for more information). Reading really does unlock the doors to the whole of your child's learning and any support you can show them with their reading, is so incredibly valuable.

Best wishes.

Mrs Sutton
Headteacher

Events/Reminders

- Key Stage 3 Spelling Bee Competition - WC Monday 11 September 2023;
- FoDC #Pre-Loved Pop-Up Shop Official Grand Opening - Friday 15 September 2023 at 11.30am.

Updates

Key Stage 3 Spelling Bee Competition



Spelling Bee

Making a triumphant return this September is the Key Stage 3 Spelling Bee which is being run by the English department. Every pupil will be entered into Round 1, taking place within English lessons WC 11 September 2023. The top 5 from each class will then be passed to Mrs Barley who will be hosting Round 2 in the theatre, WC 18 September 2023.

Our final is taking place on Thursday 28 September 2023 during Period 5, where Year 7 will audience to the top 5 from Years 7 - 9 going head-to-head to win the coveted first prize of the year. Prizes include vouchers for our runners up and a Kindle Fire for our overall winner. Not to mention the first set of ribbons to be placed on a house trophy!

Dormston Reading Award:

Our school Reading Award is designed to support, encourage and reward students, in reading for pleasure.

Today, our Year 7 students have been given their Bronze Reading Award bookmark to record the first 10 books they have borrowed from the PLC, and read in full.

Once completed, they should take their bookmark to Mrs. Ellsmore in the PLC. The Bronze Reading Award has then been achieved (for reading 10 books) for which they will receive 10 house points, a certificate and a badge. They will then be given a Silver Award bookmark to record the next 10 books read which makes an accumulative total of 20.

The award continues:

Gold: Read 10 more books to make a total of 30

Platinum: Read 20 more books to make a total of 50

Diamond: Read 50 more books to make a total of 100

Read Like Lily: Read 50 more books to make a total of 150.


House Points, Certificates and badges are issued for every award. Waterstones gift vouchers are given for achieving the Platinum and Diamond awards.


The award starts in Year 7 and continues throughout your child's time here but students can start taking part when they are in any year group.

Reading for pleasure is possibly the single most important activity students can do to improve their achievement in school.

We therefore very much value your support in encouraging your child to read and achieve these awards.

Football Opportunity




**SEDGLEY
DEVELOPMENT CENTRE**
WOLVES FOOTBALL DEVELOPMENT

Where: The Dormston Sports & Arts Centre, Mill Bank, Sedgley, DY3 1SL
When: Thursday evenings
Who: Mixed session (boys & girls) Reception to Year 7
Times: 5.00-6.00pm (R-Y3)
6.00-7.00pm (Y4-Y7)

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