

# Parent/Carer Update Sheet

## June 2024/July 2024

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## June 2024

Time is flying by now and June and July are always very busy and exciting months for us here at Dormston!

Year 11s have their Prom to look forward to following all their hard work with their GCSES. GCSE Results Day will be on Thursday 22 August 2024. Further information about GCSE collection arrangements will be sent out shortly. I am sure you will join me in wishing all our Year 11s all the very best with their next steps. Their Leavers' Assembly will take place on Friday 21 June 2024 at 9.00am and will finish by approximately 10.00am. Leavers' Hoodies that have been ordered will also be given out during this event.

During June and July we also have our Tie Reward Event, our very special Oscars Evening and our annual Sports Day as well as Activities Week to look forward to, so there should be lots to enjoy and celebrate in the coming weeks.

FoDC are putting on an End of Term Celebration & Colour Run on Thursday 27 June 2024. There will be a Staff v Pupil Fancy Dress Football Match, a Staff v Pupil Rounders Match, Music, Food, Tombola Stall along with a Colour Run which should be great fun. Tickets for this event have however now sold out!

This will be the last Update Sheet of this academic year, so we wish you all a fantastic summer holiday and look forward to welcoming students back in September 2024! Thank for your continued support during this academic year.



### Learner of the Month Winner May 2024 & June 2024

Our Learner of the Month Winner for **May 2024** was **Evie Darby - 7CKT** for her outstanding effort in PE and our Learner of the Month Winner for **June 2024** was **Lucas Pitt - 10DY** for his outstanding effort in English.

You did it!  
*Congratulations*

# What's Happening

## Year 9 WEX Launch to Parents - Tuesday 18 June 2024 at 6.00pm

We are pleased to confirm that Work Experience will go ahead in 2025. This will be for all current Year 9 students and will take place in April 2025 (when they will be in Year 10). We will be holding a parents' information briefing on Tuesday 18 June 2024 at 6.00pm to fully explain the Work Experience process to you and the reasons why we expect all students to participate. On the evening we will also update you on the Post-16 pathways legally available to your child and how to support them with their careers choices. A letter with more information will be sent out nearer the date.



## Year 8 Consultation Evening - Wednesday 19 June 2024 \*REVISED DATE

Our Year 8 Consultation Evening will be taking place on Wednesday 19 June 2024. This evening will take place on-line and appointments will need to be booked and attended via our on-line booking system. Booking guidance and a letter containing further details has been sent out.



## Year 11 Leavers' Assembly - Friday 21 June 2024 at 9.00am

Just a reminder that Year 11 Leavers' Assembly will take place on Friday 21 June 2024 at 9.00am until approximately 10.00am. We are looking forward to reuniting the year group for this lovely event.



## Year 7 Exams - WC 24 June 2024

Year 7 exams will start from W/C 24 June 2024. These exams will take place in classrooms during timetabled lessons. A finalised timetable will be sent out when available and teachers will let pupils know what the exam will cover. Please ensure your child is revising for these exams and that they attend school well prepared.



## Tie Reward Event - Wednesday 26 June 2024

We will be holding another of our Tie Reward Events on the morning of Wednesday 26 June 2024 to celebrate those students who have been successful in achieving their next tie through the house point system. 300 house points = bronze tie, 600 house points = silver tie, 900 house points = gold tie. Students can check their house point totals in their GO4Schools platform by clicking on the I icon. Please note that House Points are only updated at key periods during the school year. Invites will go out to parents/carers in due course.



## FoDC End of Term Celebration Event & Colour Run - Thursday 27 June 2024

FoDC will be putting on an End of Term Celebration for all Year 7 - 10 students, parents/carers and staff on Thursday 27 June 2024 at 3.30pm - 4.30pm approx. Tickets are now SOLD OUT. As in previous years, there will be a Staff v Student Fancy Dress Football Match, Staff v Student Rounders Match, Music, Ice Cream, Pizza, Sweets, Drinks, Festival Face Painting and of course our famous Tombola Stall! As always, any donations for our Tombola Stall would be greatly received and can be dropped off in either Main Reception or Pupil Reception.

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## Year 9 Exams - WC Monday 1 July 2024

Year 9 exams will start from W/C Monday 1 July 2024. These exams will take place in classrooms during timetabled lessons. A finalised timetable will be sent out when available and teachers will let pupils know what the exam will cover. In **Year 9** all pupils will sit exams in the compulsory subjects (English, Maths and Science). However, for all other subjects, students will only sit exams for the subjects they have chosen for GCSE if they currently study the subject - for 'new' subjects (and a few others) these exams will not be possible. Please ensure your child is revising for these exams and that they attend school well prepared.



## Induction Evening - Monday 1 July 2024 at 6.30pm

On Monday 1 July 2024 there will also be a Parents'/Carers' Evening at 6.30pm in the school Theatre. During this evening NEW Year 7 Parents/Carers for September 2024 will have the opportunity to meet key members of staff associated with Year 7 where further information will be shared regarding induction days and their start to Dormston. Please note that this evening is only for parents/carers so children do not need to attend.

## Year 6 Induction Days - Tuesday 2 & Wednesday 3 July 2024

Our new Year 7 students will be joining us at Dormston for a 2 day Induction on Tuesday 2 July 2024 and Wednesday 3 July 2024. During this time, the children will meet various staff and get a taster of typical lessons at Dormston. This will give all students a real experience of secondary school life. Timings and further details will be sent to our new parents shortly.



## Year 7 - 10 Careers Day - Thursday 4 July 2024

On the 4 July 2024 we are aiming to have a variety of careers related activities for Years 7 - 10. This will include a careers talk for Year 7 and the National Careers Challenge for Year 8. More details to follow when finalised.



## Year 11 Prom - Thursday 4 July 2024 at 6.30pm

Just a reminder that the Year 11 Prom is taking place on Thursday 4 July 2024 at The Park Hall Hotel, Park Dr, Goldthorn Park, Wolverhampton WV4 5AJ. The deadline for ordering tickets has now passed so that arrangements for the evening can start to be made. Arrival for the evening will be between 6.30pm - 7.00pm. The Prom will finish at 11.00pm so please ensure suitable arrangements have been made for your child to get home.



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## Oscars - Thursday 11 July 2024 at 6.30pm

Our Oscar Awards Evening will take place Thursday 11 July 2024 at 6.30pm. The event is packed with entertainment, prizes and awards and promises to be a great evening. This awards evening is all about celebrating the success and hard work of some of our brightest and best pupils in Years 7 - 10. Unfortunately, due to seating restrictions not all pupils can receive an invitation. Please reassure your child that if they do not get invited to this event it is not because we do not recognise their hard work and effort.



## Ingestre Hall Trip - WC 15 July 2024

It is not long now until the trip to Ingestre Hall and we hope pupils are getting excited. There will be some more information coming out shortly regarding the trip. This will include pupil information sheets, codes of conduct and a kit list. Some of these items will need to be signed and returned. Please can you ensure that the full cost of the trip is paid before Friday 12 July 2024 otherwise your child may not be able to attend. Pupils depart school at 9.00am on Monday 15 July 2024 and return back at approximately 11.00am on Friday 19 July 2024. Pupils will be able to update you on the expected return time. Pupils can then go straight home.



## Activities Week - WC Monday 15 July 2024

On the last week of the school year, we have residential trips going to Germany, Ingestre Hall and Newquay Surfing. On Wednesday 17 July 2024 and Thursday 18 July 2024 we will be collapsing the normal school timetable and students will be taking part in two days of enrichment activities to celebrate the end of the school year. Further details of these plans will be shared in the coming weeks.



## Last Day of Term - Friday 19 July 2024

Our last day of term for this academic year will be Friday 19 July 2024. Further information regarding arrangements of the last day will follow in due course. School is closed to students on Monday 22 July 2024 due to INSET.



## Arrangements for September 2024

Monday 2 September 2024 will be an INSET and school will be closed to all students. Our NEW Year 7 students should start with us on Tuesday 3 September 2024 and all other students should return to school on Wednesday 4 September 2024. Students return to a Week 1 Timetable.