

## Parental Communication & Engagement



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### Message from Headteacher

What an amazing week in school! With Sports Day, Roller skating, The Oscars, Rewards Assemblies not to mention England making it to the Final!

A big thank you goes to Miss Goddard who organised our Roller-Skating Reward event on Thursday. Thankfully there were no broken bones and the students had great fun!

On Thursday evening we held our 13<sup>th</sup> Oscar Evening and it was just fantastic to celebrate the achievement and hard work of so many students with our parents/carers in the audience. Thanks to all the staff, students and parents/carers for attending. We will hopefully share some photos with you next week!

Well done to Lucas Thorne - 8SX who raised a whopping £130 for the FoDC Colour Run at the End of Term Celebration. He won the £50 Amazon Voucher for his charitable efforts!

You have been sent a very important letter regarding new Attendance legislation which you will need to be aware of. Please ensure you read this letter. If you have any attendance queries please contact the Attendance Office (Option 1 when ringing the school).

As per our text and email some of our feeder primary schools are opening later on Monday due to the England Football Match on Sunday. Dormston School will also now open at the later time of **10.00am** for students on Monday 15 July 2024. **Any students due to depart on trips that day MUST attend school at the previously advised time.**

Next week is Activities Week. We hope all students have a fantastic time and look forward to sharing how they got on with you soon! Don't forget that we have an early close on Friday 19 July 2024 at 12.05pm as we break up for the Summer holidays.

Best wishes.

**Mrs Sutton**  
Headteacher

## Key Letters/Information Sent Out Recently

The vast majority of all letters are now emailed home and we use electronic reply slips as much as possible. The criterion for 'selected student only' opportunities are based on various factors depending on the trip and its focus. Unfortunately, we are unable to allow every student the opportunity to be involved with every activity which we understand sometimes causes disappointment. If you require more details about the selection process for any opportunity please contact the event organiser.

- Year 7 - 9 Ski Trip 2026 Opportunity Letter;
- Year 7 - 10 Parents/Carers - Attendance Legislation Update Letter & Flyer;
- Selected Year 8 Parents/Carers Fresh Start Programme Letter - July 2024.

## Events/Reminders

- Activities Week.

## Updates

### Social Media Safety

On Wednesday Saltmine Theatre Company came into school to perform 'Filters'. Sponsored by the NHS the performance covered the current risks to young people that the on-line world poses. The production was followed with an interactive workshop where students could ask question and become further educated on how to use social media safely and protect themselves on line. The workshops were well received and students were a credit to our school in terms of their behaviour and conduct.

### Last Day of Term Arrangements - Friday 19 July 2024 \*EARLY CLOSE

School will close to students on Friday 19 July 2024 at 12.05pm. Any students entitled to FSM will be able to collect a cold lunch from the River Café prior to leaving.

## Congratulations/Well Done

Congratulations go to the following students who received Headteacher Commendations this week.

Corey Beale	Alex Darby	George Dupree	Amelia Edwards
Daisy Feeney	Tess Gobourn	Jackson Gripton	Ella Hopwood
Lucas Pitt	Lillian Rushton	Lucy Smith	Amber Tandy
Emma Trinfa	Maddison Whittaker	Ruby Williams	