Parental Communication & Engagement













Message from Headteacher

It was great to welcome all our students back after Easter this week and we hope you all had a great break and that students have come back refreshed and ready to learn as we enter our Summer Term. On Monday, we held reset assemblies with each year group, where we reminded students of our expectations for the term ahead.

Some of our Year 11 GCSE exams have also started this week. Students have got off to a brilliant start. We wish all our Year 11s the very best of luck as they enter GCSE exam season!

Further to our recent letter, please note that our Year 7 Consultation Evening on Thursday 8 June 2025 will now take place on-line rather than face to face! Thanks for your understanding with this matter.

Last year you may remember that we managed to secure £4,000 from Seven Trent Water to create a wild eco pond utilising our existing pond which was dangerous to wildlife. We then found an individual from Dudley Countryside Management who donated lots of pond plants. These were planted during October half term by our Eco Committee. Recently, our pond has looked like somewhere Shrek may want to live but on Monday...... we returned to school to see new life and new hope! We were pleased to see the growth of crowsfoot, lily and water forget me nots amongst other plants and these are pictured below. Friends of Dormston have also offered us £500 for some seating to be bought for that area and we are hoping that we can gain funding for more seating in the future. The area will soon be open for pupils to relax at break and lunch time.



Parent/Carer Weekly Bulletin WC 5 May 2025

As you know, students can now wear their summer polo shirts or tailored shorts if they wish to, but this is not compulsory.

We would like to share a composition by Jamie Mills - 11AY that he got a Grade 8 for which is just amazing! https://youtu.be/IId8XQehV4Y

Don't forget that we are closed on Monday 5 May 2025 for the Bank Holiday. Students should return to school on Tuesday 6 May 2025 to a Week 2 timetable.

Hope you all have a great long weekend!

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 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.

- Term Dates 2025/2026;
- Monthly Update Sheet May 2025/June 2025;
- Year 7 Consultation Evening Update Letter;
- Year 8 Reward Trip Letter;
- Year 10 Reward Trip Letter.

Events/Reminders

- Bank Holiday Monday Monday 5 May 2025 *SCHOOL CLOSED
- Year 10F1 & 10F2 Geography Carding Mill Valley Trip Wednesday 7 June 2025 (9.00am 3.00pm);
- Year 7 On-line Booking System Closes Wednesday 7 June 2025 at 3.00pm;
- Year 10D & 10E Geography Carding Mill Valley Trip Thursday 8 June 2025 (9.00am 3.00pm);
- Year 7 On-line Consultation Evening Thursday 8 June 2025;
- Year 10 Music 'Marriage of Figaro' Trip Friday 9 June 2025.

Congratulations/Well Done

Well Done

A special well done goes to Alice Miller - 7DX who has recently passed her Violin exam with a Merit!

Updates

Family Fun Day - Sunday 22 June 2025

Please see below Family Fun Day poster that we have been asked to share with you that supports West Midlands Ambulance Service.

