# Parental Communication & Engagement













## Message from Headteacher

We've made it to the end of another academic year and what a final week it has been!

On Monday and Tuesday this week we had our Roller Skating and Inflatable Assault Course Reward Activities. A massive THANK YOU goes to Mrs Lyman for organising this great event. To say that students enjoyed it, was an understatement!









There have also been Reward Assemblies taking place all week, where we have celebrated so many fantastic student achievements. Along with this, all students have had the opportunity to have some Karaoke fun as they celebrate the end of term. We really hope students have enjoyed some of these fun activities.

On Wednesday, we held our Tie Awards event and it was great to welcome so many parents/carers into school to see their child receive their next tie award. We also took the long overdue opportunity at this event to present Hattie Jenkins - 9TY with her PE Oscar from earlier in the year!



Miss Lines & Hattie Jenkins - 9TY

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Also, on Wednesday, we held a Key Stage 3 Graduation event to mark this important milestone as Year 9 will enter into Key Stage 4 when they return in September, which will be a new and important phase of their educational journey with us here at Dormston.

On Thursday we had a Staff v Student Cricket Match.....the staff won!

I also got to present our Learner of the Month Award to Ruby Baker - 7AY this week for her fantastic progress in German. Well done Ruby!



Mrs Sutton, Ruby Baker, Mrs Baker and Mrs Cattell

Staff treated students to a musical performance this morning when they entered the Atrium. Please see attached link. <a href="https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=xwl9sA8Vi">https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=xwl9sA8Vi</a> 0

Thanks to everyone who took part in FoDC's Summer Raffle. All winners have now been contacted.

In terms of September 2025, just a reminder about the importance of uniform. Please see my recent letter for further details. As stated in this letter, we are looking at phasing out skorts from September 2026, so if you are buying new PE kit over the summer please purchase shorts rather than a skort.

We have had our Green Flag Award renewed for the next academic year which is brilliant news! Thank you to everyone who contributed in some way whether it was litter picks, curriculum links, recycling......the list is endless! We are now waiting to see if we can achieve a merit or distinction with our award!

Just a reminder that we are closed for INSET on Monday 1 September 2025. Year 7 return on Tuesday 2 September 2025 and all Year Groups should return on Wednesday 3 September 2025. We return to a Week 1 timetable and students do not need to worry about bring their PE kit on their first day.

Thanks for all your support this year. Wishing you all a fantastic summer break!

Best wishes.



Mrs Sutton Headteacher

### **Events/Reminders**

- INSET Day Monday 2 September 2025 \*SCHOOL CLOSED;
- Year 7 Return to School Tuesday 3 September 2025;
- Year 7 Photographs Tuesday 3 September 2025;
- All Year Groups Return to School Wednesday 3 September 2025.

#### **Future Diary Dates**

We just wanted to give you the heads up for some future dates for the diary regarding Careers.

- Wednesday 10 September 2025 Year 10 WEX Parent's Launch;
- Thursday 2 October 2025 Year 11 Post 16 Evening.

Details to follow in the new academic year.

## **Key Letters/Information Sent Out Recently**

- All Parents/Carers End of Term Letter July 2025;
- Year 10 Parents/Carers July 2025 Update Letter;
- Year 10 GCSE Drama Summer Preparation Letter;
- Year 9 Alton Towers Update Letter.
- Year 8 Update Letter.

### **Updates**

#### **On-line Safety**

As the on-line world becomes ever more increasingly complicated and following on from the launch of our online safety newsletters, we thought the following link regarding parental controls may be useful with the summer holidays fast approaching.

Parental Controls booklet 2025

#### **WMF Water Safety**

Please see below website link that West Midlands Fire Service has asked we share with you regarding Water Safety. Water safety - West Midlands Fire Service

### **Congratulations/Well Done**

#### **Headteacher Commendations**

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

Kaiden Garrett		