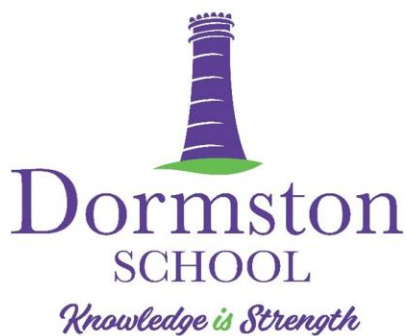


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ALL YEAR 10 PARENTS/CARERS



Dear Parents and Carers,

Year 10 Update Letter – July 2025

As we reach the end of what has been an incredibly successful and memorable Year 10, I wanted to take a moment to reflect on the many achievements of this fantastic cohort as we prepare to enter their final year at Dormston School.

We are proud to share that Year 10 achieved the **second highest attendance in the school**, just behind Year 7 - an outstanding accomplishment that reflects their commitment and resilience. Even more impressively, this year group has earned **more positive points than any other Year 10 group ever has**, which is a true testament to their attitude, behaviour, and dedication throughout the year.

During the recent mock exams, our Year 10 pupils were **exemplary** - showing maturity, focus, and determination. Their conduct during this period set a high standard and demonstrated the seriousness with which they are approaching their final GCSE exams.

For many students, **work experience** was a highlight of the year, offering an invaluable glimpse into the world beyond school. Several students were even offered future job opportunities - a remarkable achievement and a reflection of their positive impressions on employers.

The **Year 10 rewards trip** was a resounding success, with many pupils experiencing their **first ever roller-coaster ride** and making fantastic memories with their peers. In another proud moment, a group of our talented Food students successfully **secured a Guinness World Record** - an incredible feat that shows what our pupils can achieve when they push boundaries.

Throughout the year, students have also taken part in a range of **smaller trips to colleges and universities**, helping to inspire and guide them as they begin to consider their next steps.

And now, we look ahead. **Year 11 is the shortest academic year your child will ever experience**, and it will pass quickly. Before long, they'll be attending college interviews or applying for apprenticeships. This is the time where school and home must work closely together to ensure every student achieves the **grades they deserve** and the **future they hope for**.

Effort, hard work, and revision will be the essential ingredients for success - and we know that, with the right focus, this year group can do amazing things.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank Mrs Williams for all her hard work and dedication throughout her time with Year 10. We wish her every success in her new role as Head of Year 8 - a position in which she will no doubt continue to thrive and make a positive impact.



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At the same time, I am pleased to welcome Mrs Mescam to the team. She will be focusing on raising attainment within Year 11, a vital role that will support our pupils in meeting their target grades in the summer of 2026. We look forward to working closely with her to help every student achieve their full potential.

Finally, we wish you and your family a **wonderful and restful Summer break**, and we look forward to a fresh, productive start in September.

Your sincerely

Mr Amos

Mrs Williams

Mrs Mansell

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