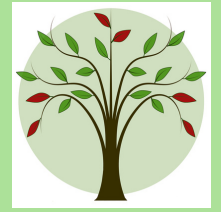


# DORMANSLAND DAYS



## A message from the Heads

What a wonderfully busy few weeks it has been in school! Last week, we enjoyed the excitement of World Book Day, with a fantastic array of costumes filling the corridors. It was brilliant to see the children so enthused about reading, taking part in a variety of activities that truly brought stories to life.

This week, we were delighted to welcome several of our Governors into school. They spent time visiting different classrooms, speaking with the children, and answering thoughtful questions about their roles within our school. It was a valuable opportunity for the Governors to see learning in action and for the children to better understand how our school is supported.

Yesterday, Year 3 had a wonderful trip to St Barnabus College, where staff had thoughtfully arranged an Easter Egg Hunt. The children behaved impeccably and showed great confidence when talking with the elderly residents - something that was truly heart-warming to see.

Towards the end of the week, school has felt a little quieter than usual with Year 4 away on their residential trip to Hindleap Warren. They have had an amazing time - albeit a rather muddy one - taking part in a range of outdoor activities. A big well done to Year 4 for embracing every challenge with such enthusiasm.

Finally, a reminder about our ongoing transition to Arbor for all school communications. After the Easter break, we will no longer be using Marvellous Me or Sco-Pay for messaging. All communications with attachments will be sent via email via Arbor, and all other messages will come through the Arbor Parent App. Please ensure that notifications on the App are enabled so you receive messages promptly.

Wishing you all a restful weekend.

Please keep a look out for the weekly **'Wake Up Wednesday'** flyers - these give parents up to date advice regarding all aspects of keeping children safe online and in the virtual world.

If you have a concern, contact Mrs Davies, Mr Cook, Miss Newns, Mrs Lochhead or Mrs Higginson.

## Reports and Parents' Evenings

Following parental feedback last year and discussions at the Parent Forum, this year's parents' evenings will take place on the following dates.

**Year 6 - 17<sup>th</sup> and 19<sup>th</sup> March** - This will be an opportunity for parents to discuss their child's progress towards the SATs.

**Year R - 5 - 9<sup>th</sup> and 11<sup>th</sup> June** - This will be an opportunity to discuss your child's progress throughout the year and to think about next year

## What I wish my parents or carers knew: A guide for parents on managing children's digital lives.

The Children's Commissioner, Dame Rachel de Souza, recently contacted all schools regarding parents facing difficult decisions about how to balance protecting children from online harm with enabling access to spaces that are now central to learning, socialising and play. A guide has been developed in recognition of the complex, rapidly evolving landscape in which children - and parents - are navigating. It focuses on the challenge of managing children's everyday online habits. This guide was written with the direct involvement of children in England. She asked them: would they give a smartphone to their own teenager? Almost unanimously, they tell me no. They want to be protected from it as long as possible. **[Follow this link to read the report.](#)**

# Water bottles

We are increasingly noticing that children are bringing large water bottles into school, including heavy metal ones. While we fully encourage pupils to stay well-hydrated, some of these bottles are becoming difficult for children to carry and can be hazardous if accidentally dropped on a foot. To keep everyone safe and ensure bottles fit comfortably on desks and in bags, we kindly ask that pupils bring a standard-size plastic water bottle to school each day.



# School Trips

The cost of hiring coaches has risen sharply, on average £450-600 a trip, this would add at least £15 on to a class trip. To help keep visits affordable, we are trying to use public transport where suitable and may ask for parent transportation. This enables us to continue to offer enriching experiences for the children.

# Headteacher Drop in

Informal Headteacher drop-ins take place the last Tuesday of each month. This is an opportunity to discuss specific issues with the heads. The next session will be on Tuesday 24<sup>th</sup> March 2026; to book an appointment please contact the office.

# Diary Dates

## February

16<sup>th</sup> March - YR @ Big Farm  
17<sup>th</sup> March - Y4 STEM event  
18<sup>th</sup> March - Easter Service at St John's @ 9.30am  
20<sup>th</sup> March - Y4 @ forest  
23<sup>rd</sup>-27<sup>th</sup> March - Y6 residential  
26<sup>th</sup> March -Y2&5 - Brooklands  
27<sup>th</sup> March - Y2 @ forest  
27<sup>th</sup> March - last day of term - **2pm finish (No Amigos After School Club)**

## Summer Term Key Dates

13<sup>th</sup> April - 1<sup>st</sup> day of term  
11-14<sup>th</sup> May - Y6 SATS  
19 & 20<sup>th</sup> May - Y5 Residential  
25-29<sup>th</sup> May - half term  
9<sup>th</sup> & 11<sup>th</sup> June - YR-5 parent consultations  
24<sup>th</sup> June - Sports day  
22<sup>nd</sup> July - Y6 leavers assembly @ 9.15am  
22<sup>nd</sup> July - last day - 2pm finish no Amigos After School Club

## INSET DAYS 26-27

1<sup>st</sup> September 2026

4<sup>th</sup> January 2027

26<sup>th</sup>, 27<sup>th</sup> and 28<sup>th</sup> July 2027

To subscribe to our calendar please:

[webcal://www.dormansland.surrey.sch.uk/calendar/ics.asp?calid=1](http://webcal://www.dormansland.surrey.sch.uk/calendar/ics.asp?calid=1)



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# DORMANSLAND PRIMARY SCHOOL PTA Newsletter March 2026



**£78.45 raised at last week's Cake Sale!**

**Year 5  
Cake Sale**  
Thursday  
26th February  
After school in the outside classroom  
50p per item

**Thank you!**

@dormanslandpta

**You Broke The Rules And Helped To Raise**

**Awesome!**

**£293.72!!!**

**THANK YOU!**

**DORMANSLAND VILLAGE**

**QUIZ NIGHT**

**Who will be the village champions?**

Teams of 6 - £5 per person entry (adults only)  
If you don't have a team and still want to be involved, we can find you a team!

Bring your own nibbles • Drinks available at the bar

Friday May 15th, 7.30pm  
**MEMORIAL HALL**

**Prizes up for grabs!**

All proceeds will go to Dormansland Primary School



To book your tickets for the best quiz in town visit:

<https://pta.events/dormanslandquiz>

**EASTER RAFFLE**

**RAFFLE TICKET**

**1st PRIZE**

**4 TICKETS TO  
CHESSINGTON  
WORLD OF ADVENTURES**

**EASTER EGGS, CHOCOLATES & CRAFTS**

## EGG-CITING EASTER RAFFLE!



3 Easter baskets to be won, all including lots of amazing Easter Eggs, toys, treats and crafts!



### GET YOUR TICKETS NOW!

**TO ENTER:** Write your name & phone number/ email address on the back of your tickets and place in an envelope with your cash payment. Hand in to the school office **BEFORE 20 MARCH!** Keep the other copy of the ticket for yourself.

Tickets £1 each or £5 per strip

If you would like to buy more tickets, please ask at the school office.

Winners will be drawn w/c 23 March 2026.

All funds raised will have a direct impact on the school and it's pupils and we couldn't be more grateful for your support!

**Year 6  
Cake Sale**  
Thursday  
19th March  
After school in  
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50p  
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**SECOND HAND  
UNIFORM SALE**

- TUESDAY 17<sup>TH</sup> MARCH
- OUTSIDE RECEPTION AREA
- GATES OPEN @ 2.45PM FOR EARLY BROWSING BEFORE PICK UP!

**HALF PRICE SALE!**      **ONLY 50P PER ITEM!!!**

PLEASE DROP OFF ANY UNWANTED UNIFORM THIS WEEK IN ADVANCE OF NEXT WEEK'S SALE

We would like to say a huge thank you to everyone who has supported the PTA so far this year. Your support truly makes a difference and we couldn't do it without you! With many thanks, Your Co-Chairs, Sarah Davis & Sam Trim Dormanslandschoolpta @outlook.com

**Sunday  
21 June  
2026**

**St Piers School & College**      **Dormansland Primary School**

**Lingfield Circus**  
is coming to town!

**Doors open: 12:30pm**  
**Show starts: 1:30pm**

**Racecourse Road, Lingfield, RH7 6PQ**

**Ticket price: £15**  
**Family price: £55**

Join us for a spectacular family fun day. Happy Circus brings its unique, accessible non-animal show to Lingfield!  
Expect laughter, acrobatics and unforgettable entertainment for all ages.

Funds raised through ticket sales go  
St Piers and Dormansland Primary School

Come along, enjoy the show & support  
St Piers and Dormansland Primary School

**HAPPY'S CIRCUS**

Registered with **FUNDRAISING REGULATOR**      Registered Charity No: 311877

**Volunteers Needed!**

If you're able to help out on the day, the fundraising team would love to hear from you. This could raise a HUGE amount for the school, but we have to have your support to make it happen. Reach out to Sarah or Sam (PTA) or email [dormanslandschoolpta@outlook.com](mailto:dormanslandschoolpta@outlook.com)

Come along for a brilliant family day out and support two fantastic local causes. We hope to see lots of you there!

Like/Follow us on Social Media  
Join our WhatsApp group of PTA Helpers





# HOP INTO SPRING CAMP 2026

**FESTIVE ARTS & CRAFTS | DRAMA & DANCE SHOWS |  
GAMES & PHYSICAL ACTIVITIES | EASTER PARTY**



### CAMP DETAILS:

- Dormansland Primary, Clinton Hill, RH7 6PE**
- 30th of March - 2<sup>nd</sup> of April (Mon-Thurs)**
- 9AM - 3PM**
- AGES 5 - 11**



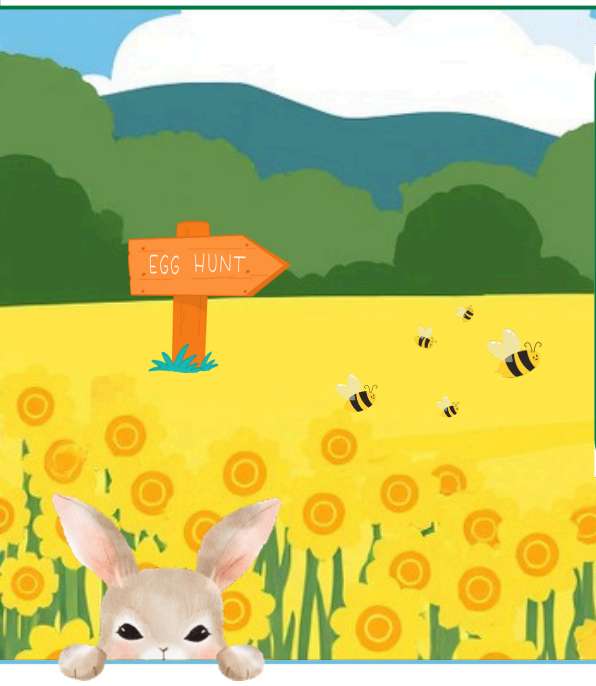
### PAID SPACES:

Book Online at  
OurCamps:



### FUNDED SPACES:

If your child is eligible for Benefit-Related Free School Meals,  
Book Online:



# OUR CAMPS<sup>®</sup>

**AWARD WINNING HAF PROVIDER | IN PARTNERSHIP WITH SURREY COUNCIL**

Online  
Course

# Stronger Relationships

For parents and other adult carers living together or apart. **For Parents of Year Five Students Only, group starting Wednesday 1 April at 6:00pm**



- Do you want to get some new ideas to help you be an even better parent?
- Would you like to reduce the arguments and disagreements in your family and cope better with stress?
- Would you like to enhance your relationship with your current partner, or improve communication with your ex or the other people helping to raise your children?
- How about learning at a time that suits you?



**6 online  
sessions**



**6 group  
discussions**



**Certificate on  
completion**

## What to expect...

- Information on strategies to identify and reduce arguments.
- Hear from other parents and carers.
- Downloadable worksheets and hand-outs.
- Videos, quizzes and interactive activities.
- Do sessions at a time that works for you.
- Weekly support from our course experts.

## Topics covered...

- Healthy adult relationships.
- Identifying and managing disagreements.
- Understanding how conflict affects your children.
- Enhancing parent-child relationships.
- Managing stress, anger and emotions.
- Strategies to resolve conflict and create a parenting agreement

## Group discussion...

1. Speak to a course expert and get answers to some of the questions you might have
2. Talk about how the strategies are going at home.
3. Address other difficulties relating to your relationships.
4. Hear from others about what works for them.

Find out more or register for the course by scanning the QR code or emailing us at: [sfscparent@racefound.org.uk](mailto:sfscparent@racefound.org.uk)



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Course

# Stronger Relationships

For parents and other adult carers living together or apart. **For Parents of Year Six Students Only, group starting Monday 9 March at 1:00pm**



- Do you want to get some new ideas to help you be an even better parent?
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# Support programmes for parents and carers of children with autism

On behalf of Surrey County Council's All Age Autism Strategy, the Autism Outreach Service is coordinating a series of support programmes for parents and carers of children with autism or suspected autism in Surrey.

Each programme includes six sessions of 2½ hours, delivered by experienced professionals through a mix of in-person and online formats. To book, parents must either live in Surrey or have a child who attends a Surrey-based setting. The programmes running include:

## **The National Autistic Society Early Bird Programme for parents of children aged 5 years and under which covers:**

- Understanding autism
- Communication
- Understanding autistic experiences
- Supporting daily living
- Health and wellbeing
- Connections

## **Barnardo's Cygnet Programme for parents of children aged 5-18 years old which covers:**

- Introductory session
- Overview of autism with parent and carer experience
- Thinking & sensory
- Social interaction & communication
- Understanding & supporting behaviour
- Analysing behaviour

## **The National Autistic Society Teen life Programme for parents of children aged 10-16 years old which covers:**

- Understanding autism
- Understanding autistic identity
- Stress, anxiety and understanding behaviour
- Health and wellbeing
- Puberty
- Education and transitioning into adulthood

To book on one of these programmes, parents can register their interest here to sign up to the mailing list. They will then be emailed each time a new set of courses are added and available for booking. If you have any questions please email [parenttraining@freemantles.surrey.sch.uk](mailto:parenttraining@freemantles.surrey.sch.uk).

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# Class Schedule !

**Dormansland Primary School**

**RH7 6PE**

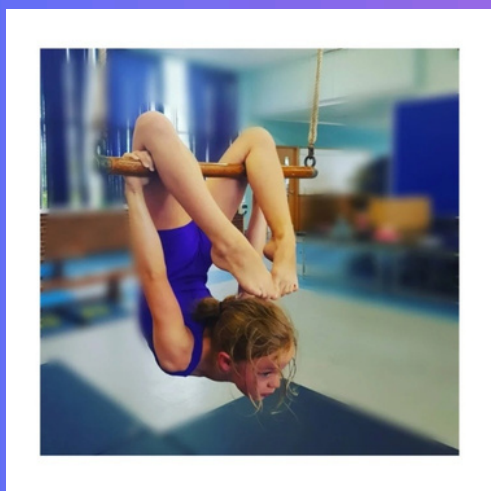


**Wednesday**

**3:15-4:15 after school class in the school hall**

Our after-school gymnastics class to build strength, flexibility, and confidence in a fun, structured environment. With expert coaches guiding students through skill development while fostering discipline, teamwork, and a love of movement.

( sibling discounts available....! ✨ )



**CONTACT US NOW TO BOOK YOUR TRIAL OR**  
✉ [gdgymnasticsanddanceacademy@gmail.com](mailto:gdgymnasticsanddanceacademy@gmail.com)

☎ **07594 305424 to**

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