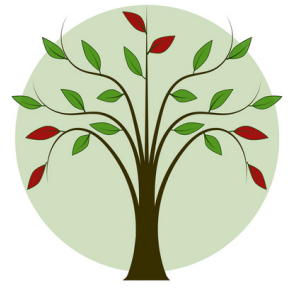


Dormansland Primary School

Inspire Nurture Challenge



Newsletter

4th September 2026

A message from the Heads

A very warm welcome back to all of our children and families, and a special welcome to those who have joined our school community this term. We are also looking forward to welcoming our new Reception children next week as they begin their exciting journey with us.

It has been wonderful to see the school buzzing with enthusiasm this week. In our welcome assembly on Wednesday, we revisited our core values of Respect, Responsibility, Resilience and Curiosity, discussing what these look like in the classroom and on the playground.

We also introduced children to our new Calm Cabin, where they can enjoy quieter lunchtime activities such as reading, drawing and LEGO building, alongside our popular Aquarium provision.

Following applications from our Year 6 pupils last term, we are delighted to have appointed our new School Council and House Captains today. They are already full of enthusiasm and brilliant ideas for the year ahead.

Finally, please keep an eye on the key dates section of our newsletters so you don't miss any important events.

We are looking forward to a fantastic year ahead and thank you, as always, for your continued support.

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 29th September 2026; to book an appointment please contact the office.

What Toy Story 5 can teach us about screen time for children



In June the long awaited Toy Story 5 was released. The focus of the film was about screen time and tech. In the film, a tablet called Lilypad starts monopolising the attention of 8-year-old Bonnie at the point she's trying to learn to make new friends. This article talks about what 'What Toy Story 5 can teach us about screen time for children.'

Safeguarding

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.



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up to at
@dormansland_pri**



Parking reminder

A Reminder to Parents and Caregivers:
Courteous Parking for Drop-off and Pick-up.
We kindly ask all parents and caregivers to be considerate when parking during drop-off and pick-up times. Please make sure you are not obstructing driveways or pedestrian pathways.

Diary Dates



Autumn 2026

- 8th Sept - 9am Y3&4 Meet the Teacher
- 10th Sept - 9am Y5&6 Meet the Teacher
- 10th Sept - 9.30 & 2.45 Optional Y6 mobile phone meeting
- 14th Sept - individual photos
- 15th Sept - 9am Y1&2 Meet the Teacher
- 16th Sept - YR Coffee morning
- 16th Sept @ 7pm - PTA AGM
- 18th Sept - Y2 @ forest
- 21st Sept - Y4 Bikeability
- 25th Sept - Y6 @ forest
- 28th Sept - 2nd Oct - Y6 Bikeability
- 2nd Oct - Y5 @ forest
- 8th Oct @ 9am - Y3 class assembly
- 9th Oct - Y4 @ forest
- 14th Oct - Harvest festival (TBC)
- 16th Oct - Y3 @ forest
- 19th - 30th October half term
- 2nd Nov - first day back
- 6th Nov - Y6 @ forest
- 10th Nov - parents eve - virtual
- 12th Nov - parents eve - in school
- 13th Nov - Y5 @ forest
- 20th Nov - Y2 @ forest
- 27th Nov - Y3 @ forest
- 3 & 4th Dec KS1 Nativity - timings tbc
- 4th Dec - Y4 @ forest
- 11th Dec @ 3.15 parents book look
- 14th - KS1 Christmas party
- 15th Dec - KS2 Christmas party
- 16th Dec - Carol service @ Christmas jumper day
- 18th Dec - last day of term - 2pm finish

INSET DAYS 2026-27

4th January 2027

26th, 27th and 28th July 2027



**A reminder that dogs
are not allowed onto
the school site.**