

DORMANSLAND DAYS



A message from the Heads

It has been wonderful to welcome everyone back after the half term break and the children have (mostly!) returned with great enthusiasm, settling back into school routines quickly and being delighted to see friends.

Years 3 and 4 went on their first trip of the year to Chiddingstone Castle. It was a fantastic trip where the children learnt about and looked at many artefacts to do with their Ancient Egyptian topic. Both classes have also started this week their 6 weeks programme of Squash Sessions with the East Grinstead Squash Club. This will be a brilliant opportunity for them to develop their skills with professional coaches.

It hasn't just been a learning week for our children. As part of our maths development, we're actively involved in the Surrey Maths Hub. Mrs. Degia and Mrs. O'Riordan recently attended an inspiring session, bringing back fresh ideas that will benefit our students throughout the academic year. The rest of our teaching staff joined colleagues from Lingfield and Felbridge Primary for a collaborative staff meeting, focusing on writing levels. Our students received praise for their high-standard writing skills, a testament to the dedication of our staff and the excellence of our students.

Finally, our Book Fair was a great success and thanks to your incredible support it raised an impressive £800! This means we can enrich our library with some exciting new reads for the children.

Miss Newns and Miss Carter are busily gearing up for 'Arts Week'. This is the week where children will immerse themselves in additional music, drama, and art projects. Parents are invited on Friday, 24th November, to marvel at the exhibits showcasing their creativity.

Finally, at the end of this term, we will sadly say farewell to Miss Carter. Miss Carter has made a significant impact on our school community, leading Easter and Christmas services, co-ordinating the summer production and leading our school choir in many performances both at school and external events. She has motivated many of our children to take up an instrument and encouraged them to practice and perform. We are grateful for all the contributions she has made.

Reminders

- **SCHOOL UNIFORM REMINDER-** Please be reminded that jewelry such as necklaces, rings and bracelets should not be worn in school for health and safety reasons.
- **Thank you to all parents who attended our Book Fair this week. We raised a massive £800 in sales meaning that we are able to purchase some new books for our school library.**

Attendance

Well done to Amethyst class for achieving 97.3% attendance over the last two weeks.



Follow us on Instagram @
dormansland_pri

SAFEGUARDING

Safeguarding children is the action we take to promote the welfare of children and protect them from harm. Safeguarding is everyone's responsibility. Every single person who comes into contact with children and families has a role to play.

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

Curriculum Focus- New Website

Our new school website is now live and has already received some really positive feedback.

The new site is designed to be mobile friendly, which should improve the access for parents and guests. Over the coming weeks, you will hopefully notice a few tweaks to it as staff get used to the editing and uploading aspects of it. If you notice any missing parts or areas that you think will improve the website, please get in touch.

Charity fitness

Congratulations to Louie for working as part of a team to raise over a £1000 for Great Ormond Street. As part of a team of 7 they completed 25 pull ups, 25 sit ups, 25 weighted squats, 125 press ups, for working as part of a team to raise over a £1000 for Great Ormond Street. As part of a team of 7 they completed 25 pull ups, 25 sit ups, 25 weighted squats, 125 press ups, 1km run, 1000m ski



machine and 1000 burpees. Louis was the only under 18 there!



WE REALLY NEED YOU! SCHOOL LIBRARY

Are you able to spare an hour once a week to help us facilitate this? If so please speak to Mrs Hardisty or email the office.

Diary Dates

15th Nov - Y5 Class Assembly

17th Nov - Y4 Forest Day

21st Nov - Y3 Class Assembly

22nd Nov - PTA Jolly Jar Mufti Day

20th - 24th Nov - Arts Week

24th Nov - Parent Walk about for Art Week (3.00pm)

24th Nov - Y2 Forest Day

25th Nov - PTA Christmas Fayre

28th Nov - Headteacher Drop ins

30th Nov - KS1 Nativity

1st Dec - KS1 Nativity

1st Dec - Y3 Forest Day

11th Dec - KS1 Christmas Party

12th Dec - KS2 Christmas Party

13th Dec - Christmas Jumper Day

13th Dec - Church Service @ St Johns (9.15am)

15th Dec - Last Day of Term

Headteacher Drop in

Headteacher drop-ins take place the last Tuesday of each month. To book a 15 minute appointment, please contact the office.

Device request!

With our updated website we will be making more use of Marvellous Me to send pictures to parents. To enable us to do this we need a tablet for each class. If you have a tablet device, in good condition, laying around at home not being used we would be grateful if you would consider wiping it and donating it to the school. Many thanks

PTA Events

The Christmas Fair needs more helpers for it to be able to go ahead. Please sign up to help for an hour.

www.pta-events.co.uk/dormanslandschoolpta.

Jolly Jar Mufti Day - 22nd November

Christmas Fair - 25th November

