



# DORMANSLAND DAYS

## A message from the Heads

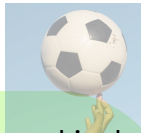
You may be aware that from September 2025 we are changing our policy regarding phones our Year 6 children are allowed in school. We have made this decision based on recent DFE guidance and the recognised need for schools to address the challenges and increased risks posed by smartphones and devices. As a school that prioritises the safety and well-being of our students, we feel it is important to share these changes with all of you. Smartphones and other devices, while undoubtedly useful in many ways, also present several challenges and dangers. These risks include cyberbullying, unsupervised access to social networking platforms, exposure to unsuitable content on the internet and evidence of decreased attention span.

We understand that there is increasing pressure for children at the primary school level to have their own mobile phones. However, it is crucial for us as parents and educators to carefully consider the potential impact of smartphone usage on our young people.

While we acknowledge that the decision to provide your child with a smartphone rests with you as parents, we have made the decision that once children reach year 6 they will only be allowed to bring in a non-smartphone, sometimes referred to as a 'feature' phone.

Through our curriculum we will continue to educate our children about responsible technology use and digital citizenship, equipping them with the necessary skills to navigate the digital world safely.

### Thank you



We were lucky enough to receive a very kind donation from a family to purchase some new sports equipment. This has been used to purchase a new set of footballs to help support our PE curriculum and after school club sessions.



Follow us on Instagram to find out what we have been up to at  
@dormansland\_pri

### Attendance

Whole school attendance - 96.3%

Well done to Opal class for achieving 95.2% attendance over the last two weeks.

### Reminders

- Please **DO NOT ALLOW CHILDREN TO CLIMB THE RAILINGS** outside of Reception/Year 1 classroom.

### 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.

# Diary Dates

## All about Dormansland!

Attached to this newsletter is a copy of the parent information booklet that all new parents have received for the last two years. We thought it may be useful to send out to all parents. If you think there is any key information missing please let us know and we can add it in.

10th May - Y3 @ Forest  
10th May - Maypole - YR, 1 and 2 @ 2.15pm  
13th-16th May - Year 6 SATs  
17th May - Y2 @ Forest  
20th May - Class Photos  
22nd/23rd May - Year 5 Residential Trip  
24th May - Y6 @ Forest  
27th-31st May - Half Term  
3rd June - INSET day (no children in school)  
5th June - YR trip to EG Library  
7th June - Y6 @ Forest  
14th June Y4 @ Forest  
17th June - Year 6 Enterprise morning  
18th June - Y1 & 2 Sea life Centre trip  
21st June - Y3 @ Forest  
25th June - Year 1 Class assembly  
26th June - Sports Day  
28th June - Y2 @ Forest  
5th July - Y1 @ Forest - NO BUS  
11th July - Y5&6 show - Times TBC  
12th July - Y6 @ Forest - NO BUS  
19th July - Last day of term - NO AMIGOS

### INSET DAYS 2024-25

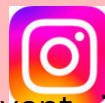
2nd September 2024  
7th October 2024  
18th November 2024  
21st July 2025  
22nd July 2025

## History Exhibition Dormansland

Over the weekend of 2nd/3rd June, The Lingfield History Society are holding an exhibition at the village memorial hall. Please do pop down and see some delights from Dormanslands past!



## PTA Events



@dormanslandpta

The PTA are beginning to plan their next big event - **The Summer Fair**. After the success of last years, it will take place straight after sports day. **For this event to be able to run they will need volunteers to help set up and run the stalls.** Please contact the PTA or let the office know if you can spare an hour to help on the day.

**A massive thank you to all who donated to our book drive- over £750 has been raised to further replenish the reading books.**



## Thank you!

A massive 'Thank You' from our and to our Junior Leadership Team. Through their organised Inspirational Person Day, they raised an impressive £150. They have decided to put this towards some much needed playground equipment, which should hopefully be with us shortly.

## Headteacher Drop in

Informal Headteacher drop-ins take place the last Tuesday of each month. The next sessions are on Tuesday 21st May 2024, to book an appointment please contact the office.



## Vision - Inspire, Nurture, Challenge

Our vision at Dormansland Primary School is to Inspire, Nurture and Challenge every child ready for their future. We seek to develop children holistically so that they are ready to face the wider world at secondary and beyond.

### Aims - We achieve our vision through our aims

- To Inspire young minds
- To Nurture individual potential
- To Challenge our children in their learning, to enable them to become the innovators of tomorrow

### Values - We seek to achieve these aims by encouraging our children to demonstrate our school values

#### Curiosity

Encouraging a love for learning, exploration, and asking questions fosters a lifelong passion for knowledge and critical thinking.

#### Respect

Instilling a culture of respect for oneself, others, and the environment promotes a positive and inclusive learning community.

#### Responsibility

Teaching children the importance of taking ownership of their actions, decisions, and their impact on the community fosters a sense of accountability.

#### Resilience

Teaching children to move forward from challenges and setbacks, promotes perseverance, and the development of a growth mindset.

# The Golden Thread

Stop.  
Think.

## Am I making the right choice?

1	Disruptive behaviour	<b>1st Warning:</b> Your teacher will remind you about choices being made
2	Disruptive behaviour continues	<b>2nd warning:</b> Your name is moved to Question mark. Key Stage 1 - five times in a week = loss of golden time. Key Stage 2 - three times in a week = loss of golden time.
3	Disruptive behaviour continues	<b>3rd warning :</b> Complete your work quietly in another class. Parents will be contacted. You will miss some playtime.
4	Behaviour continues	<b>4th warning:</b> You will be sent to Miss Newns with work to complete. Parents will be contacted.
5	Behaviour continues	<b>5th warning:</b> You will continue to work with Mr Cook or Mrs Davies. Parents will be contacted by a member of the Senior Leadership Team.

