

The Dinglewell Post

sharing our news with our community



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Dear Parents,

12th September 2025

Attendance for this week: 97.46%

Welcome to this week's newsletter. It's been a really busy week here in school with everyone now settled into their new routines. Hopefully our new Year 3 parents are all signed up for ParentPay and ParentMail. If anyone is having any difficulties, please do contact our Office staff who will be pleased to address any issues or help you to get logged on.

Many of you will have met or have spoken to our new members of staff. Miss. Rachel Harrison joined us at the start of the term and we are so lucky to have her within our school office. Welcome also to Miss. Olivia Burge who has joined our before and after school club. Both have settled in seamlessly and slotted into our Dinglewell family with ease.

Today your child will receive a letter with the club they have been allocated. We have managed to allocate a place to 182 children which is wonderful. However, if your child wasn't successful in getting a club of their choice, they can still attend the production club on Mondays which is open to all year groups. Please let the office know if your child would like to attend. A reminder if your child is in Year 6 and attends a club, all children must be collected from school. They will not be allowed to walk home.

Communication

For general messages for your child's teacher, such as advance warning of change in collection arrangements (at least 24 hours in advance), discussion of school work/homework etc., please use the following emails as appropriate:

Year 3 - year3@dinglewell-jun.gloucs.sch.uk

Year 4 - year4@dinglewell-jun.gloucs.sch.uk

Year 5 - year5@dinglewell-jun.gloucs.sch.uk

Year 6 - year6@dinglewell-jun.gloucs.sch.uk

Breakfast and after school club - wraparound@dinglewell-jun.gloucs.sch.uk

Special Educational Needs - senco@dinglewell-jun.gloucs.sch.uk

Please note that whilst these in boxes will be checked regularly, they will not be monitored continuously, and you should not expect an immediate response. If your message is time sensitive, please ensure that you have spoken to someone either in person, or via the telephone (we have an answerphone in the school office if your call cannot be answered immediately).

Reporting absence from school

From the start of the new term, if your child is absent, please either call the school phone and leave a message on the answerphone which is available 24/7 or email the new dedicated absence email

address which is: absence@dinglewell-jun.gloucs.sch.uk leaving details of the name of the child, their class and the reason for their absence.

Parking

Please note that the school car park is for **staff only**, so please **do not use** the car park for drop-off and collection and please park considerately on surrounding roads. Unfortunately, we have had an incident of a near miss in the car park this week where a car nearly hit a pupil. As a result of this our caretaker will be coning off the road around school and will monitor the use of the car park.

Year 3 Open Afternoon - 2:15pm - 3:00 pm Wednesday 17th September

We are delighted to invite our new Year 3 parents to come and see how well their children have settled in on Wednesday 17th September at 2pm. There will be a chance to sit and work alongside your child and do a creative activity too! A letter will be sent out next week with more details.

During the year, we intend to invite all other year group parents in to see their children's work. Watch this space!

Speaking to Teachers

If you need to speak to your child's class teacher at the start or the end of the day, please can you go to the main reception where an appointment can be made. Please do not come to the classroom doors - teachers may have meetings at the end of the day. Thank you.

Naming clothes

Thank you to all the parents who have labelled their child's clothing so lost items can be returned promptly. Please can all children have a named rain coat in school every day, even if the weather looks fine in the morning! Thank you.

Friends of Dinglewell Junior School (PTA) Meeting - Monday 15th September

The Friends of DJS would like to extend a warm welcome back to all the staff, children and families that make up our fantastic school community. We are an informal and friendly group of staff and parents who work hard to raise extra funds to support many of the enrichment events that take place throughout the year. Last year we were able to support and subsidise the coaches for the whole school trip to the panto, school trips and enrichment days, the Y6 Leavers' hoodies, the Reading Dome and the gazebo on the school field.

The Friends will be holding their first meeting of the new academic year on **Monday 15th September at the Wagon & Horses, starting at 7pm**. So, if you would like to learn more about what we do to support the school, future fundraising events and would like to get involved or have some fresh ideas to share, we would love to see you there!

For more information, please join our Facebook page.

Menu for September 2025

Copies of the menu are available from the carousel in Reception and also on the School Website.

Term Dates 2025-26

Copies of the new term dates are available from the carousel in Reception and also on the School Website.

Y5 Swimming lessons

Swimming lessons for Y5 will start on Tuesday 16th September.

Guitar lessons

There are still a few places available with Mr. Tuttle to learn the Guitar this term. He is opening this now to Y3 children as well. Y3 children will receive a copy of the information with their hardcopy newsletter today. If you are interested for your child to start lessons please contact Mr. Tuttle directly on the details on his letter. If your child is not in Y3 but would like lessons please collect a letter from the school office.

The Infants and Juniors need your help!



Celebration Assembly

Here are this week's Merit Certificate winners - well done everyone!



Forthcoming Diary Dates

Monday 15th September - Clubs start FODJS Meeting 7pm
Tuesday 16th September - Y5 Swimming lessons start
Wednesday 17th September - Y3 open afternoon
Thursday 18th September - Montagu starts
Friday 19th September - 3B Forest School

Monday 22nd September - 4Su Forest School
Tuesday 23rd September - Y5 Swimming
Wednesday 24th September -
Thursday 25th September -
Friday 26th September -

All relevant school policies are available to view on our Website.

**PLEASE REMEMBER NOT TO PROVIDE NUTS OR ANY NUT DERIVATIVE FOOD
IN SCHOOL DUE TO SEVERE ALLERGIES WITHIN OUR SCHOOL COMMUNITY**



Correspondence sent out this week:

Clubs letters

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