

# The Dinglewell Post

sharing our news with our community



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Dear Families,

22<sup>nd</sup> May 2026

Attendance for this week: 94.83%

## This week

Did anyone else blink and accidentally lose Term 5? Honestly, if time keeps moving this fast, we'll be putting up Christmas decorations again before we've even taken down the lost property mountain.

This week has been a full-on adventure: Year 3 have been off on their trip to the Black Country Museum, Year 4 have been drumming loud enough to convince several staff members that there was thunder in the hall and Year 6 are buzzing with excitement for their residential - the countdown has begun!

Meanwhile, the office has been firing out messages left, right, and centre and thank goodness the internet finally came back online. Another day without it and we would have been outside waving flags, lighting beacons, or sending homing pigeons with letters.

Thank you to all the children who contributed to FODJS non-uniform day. We raised £234.30 which will be put towards the much-needed trim trail.

## Year 3 Rockstar winners:

Miss Brooke's set - 1<sup>st</sup> Jacob, 2<sup>nd</sup> Effimie, 3<sup>rd</sup> Lewis  
Mrs Cave's set - 1<sup>st</sup> Madison, 2<sup>nd</sup> Alfie, 3<sup>rd</sup> Holly  
Mrs Hazell's set - 1<sup>st</sup> Eliana, 2<sup>nd</sup> Poppy, 3<sup>rd</sup> Jacob

## Year 4 Rockstars:

Year 4 are looking forward to practising their timestables in the sunshine next week as they prepare for the Multiplication Tables Check after the break. There is a tournament live on ttrackstars, the final push to gain coins and come top of the class.

## Permission slips and Payments

Please can you send in ASTHMA and Year 5 Cadbury's World slips asap. Year 5 Cadbury's world payments need to be settled on ParentPay. If you haven't already, please can we ask you to settle any outstanding payments on ParentPay asap.

## Term 6 clubs

### **'Ball or nothing Athletics Club' Opportunity – Term 6**

Letters have now gone out to all children about a fantastic opportunity coming up in Term 6. We're delighted to offer places in our *With the Ball* athletics club. This is a brilliant chance for children to try something new, build confidence, and enjoy being active with their friends. Please use the QR code or link below for full details & payment information.

What a great way to experience a new club as we head into the final term of the year.

<https://with-the-ball-sports-coaching.classforkids.io/info/388>

## ***Cheerleading club – Term 6***

Our Term 5 children are absolutely *loving* Cheerleading Club — the energy, the teamwork, the confidence... it's fantastic to see! We still have spaces available, so if your child has shown even a spark of interest, now is the perfect time to join the fun. Take a look and, if you're ready to jump in, just click the link below!

<https://with-the-ball-sports-coaching.classforkids.io/info/378>

## **Year 5 Walking home**

We understand that parents of older children wish to give them more independence and start to prepare them for secondary. As Year 5 are in their last term and will soon be Year 6, parents may wish to allow their child to meet them somewhere, walk part of the way home or all the way home. If this is the case, please make sure you complete the form on the letter handed out and return it to Mrs. Naylor on **Tuesday 2<sup>nd</sup> June, 2026**. Please note this permission is for this term only. A new letter will be sent out for Year 6.

***It is important that you talk to your child/children so they know what to do if the person they are to meet is not at the pre arranged point – return to school immediately and report to the school office.***

## **Friends of Dinglewell Junior School (PTA) Meeting – Monday 1<sup>st</sup> June**

The Friends will be holding their next meeting on **Monday 1<sup>st</sup> June at the Wagon & Horses, starting at 7pm**. 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 ideas to share, we would love to see you there!

## **Eco Warriors**

Last Friday, the eco warriors were lucky enough to take part in a Compost workshop with Karen from Garden Organic. During the session, the children learnt about the vast range of microorganisms that live in soil and the important roles they all play. They investigated a wormery and learnt that they are an environmentally friendly and efficient way to manage waste and improve soil quality.

We then looked at our new Hotbin and discussed ways in which we can use it to make successful compost. We encourage all children at Dinglewell to bring a healthy snack to school with them every day. From now on, rather than putting our fruit peelings/waste in the usual bin on the playground, we will have a special bin/bucket where children can place them at break times. This way, we can compost them rather than sending them to landfill. We hope that both children and parents will support us with this.



## **Language Angels competition!**

We're excited to announce that Dinglewell Junior School is taking part in a Language Angels challenge, the Glurbs Language Quest, where we can win a school resources grant of £5000, and we need your help!

Our pupils are on a mission to boost our school's ranking by completing fun, curriculum-aligned language lessons in the Glurbs app. Designed by the team behind Language Angels, Glurbs features safe, structured, curriculum-aligned learning for children aged 4-12.

How to join the mission:

1. Download: Scan the QR code on the flyer that is provided or search for "Glurbs" in your app store (Apple or Google Play).
2. Register: Join the competition by pressing on the "Language Quest" button and enter our unique school code 8SK27PS.
3. Enjoy: Start learning and exploring! Completing planets and activities earns points for our school throughout the challenge and helps us move up the competition leaderboard!

## GLURBS LANGUAGE QUEST

You can help  
Dinglewell Junior School  
win £5000!

### What is the Glurbs Language Quest?

The Glurbs Language Quest is a fun competition for Language Angels schools. Your children can help us earn points by completing planets of language-learning activities in the Glurbs app.

### How does my child take part?

1. Scan the QR code or tap the link to download the Glurbs app.
2. Open the app and tap Sign Up to create your user account:
  - Choose a username and password.
  - Select the language your child would like to study.
  - Choose a username and password.
4. Login and tap the Language Quest button in the top-left corner and enter our school code: **8SK27PS**



### Is it free?

- Yes!
- Every child can complete 2 planets completely free
- These free planets still contribute points to our school's score in the competition
- There is no obligation to pay or subscribe

### What about paid content?

- Additional planets are available if you choose to subscribe
- Completing extra planets means we score more points
- Subscribing is entirely optional

### When does the competition run?

- 18 May 2026 (9am BST) - 12 July 2026 (7pm BST)
- You can join at any time during this period

### What can schools win?

- We will be competing with other schools of a similar size in order to win £5000!
- Depending on our final position, there are also other exciting prizes up for grabs

### Is my child's data safe?

- Yes! Data is handled in line with UK data protection laws
- Individual pupils will not be named publicly

### What is the app like?

- Designed for primary-aged children
- Covers French, Spanish and Italian
- Fun, game-based learning through interactive "planets". Each planet covers a different topic

### Key things to remember:

- Free to enter
- Your child will have fun and will be learning a foreign language
- No obligation to subscribe
- Safe and age-appropriate
- Helps your child's school potentially win funding



## School dinner outstanding payments

Just a little nudge from the dinner money fairy - if you have any outstanding payments, please sprinkle them our way by half term. Thank you!

## Have you lost your keys?

Lost your keys? Don't worry - they've been hanging out with us and having a lovely time. Swing by the office to pick them up when you're free.



## GSSN Large Schools Swimming Gala

Yesterday, our Dinglewell team travelled to a hot and humid GL1 to compete in the Large Schools Swimming Gala. The placed results were: **Yr 2/3 Boys 10m Freestyle** – Theo N (3<sup>rd</sup>); **Yr 2/3 Girls 10m Freestyle** – Bo P (1<sup>st</sup>) and Evelyn R (3<sup>rd</sup>); **Yr 2/3 Girls 10m Breaststroke** – Bo P (2<sup>nd</sup>) and Evelyn R (3<sup>rd</sup>); **Yr 4/5 Boys 25 m Freestyle** - Isaac E and Charlie S (both 3<sup>rd</sup> in their heats); **Yr 4/5 Girls 25 m Freestyle** - Lottie K (3<sup>rd</sup>); **Yr 4/5 Boys 25 m Breaststroke** – Charlie S (2<sup>nd</sup>); **Yr 4/5 Girls 25 m Breaststroke** – Livvy H (2<sup>nd</sup>); **Yr 4/5 Boys 25 m Freestyle RELAY** – Jack A, Jacob PG, Isaac E and Charlie S (all 2<sup>nd</sup>); **Boys 25 m Freestyle – OPEN AGE** – Bear P (1<sup>st</sup>); **Girls 25 m Freestyle – OPEN AGE** – Lacey M (2<sup>nd</sup>); **Boys 25 m Breaststroke – OPEN AGE** – Jacob L (3<sup>rd</sup>); **Girls 25 m Breaststroke – OPEN AGE** – Thea C and Lacey M (both 3<sup>rd</sup> in their heats); **Boys 25 m Backstroke – OPEN AGE** – Bear P (1<sup>st</sup>) and Jackson W (2<sup>nd</sup>); **Girls 25 m Backstroke – OPEN AGE** – Thea C (2<sup>nd</sup>); **Boys 25 m Freestyle RELAY – OPEN AGE** – Bear P, Jackson W, Jacob L and Jake M (all 3<sup>rd</sup>); **Girls 25 m Freestyle RELAY – OPEN AGE** – Thea C, Lacey M, Livvy H and Olivia L (all 2<sup>nd</sup>).

**Dinglewell came 4th in the 10m races and 3<sup>rd</sup> in the 25m races. This meant that overall, we came 3<sup>rd</sup> in the gala! Well done everybody, excellent swimming!**



## Year 3 – Black Country Museum trip



On Wednesday 20th, Year 3 pupils stepped back in time for a fantastic visit to the Black Country Living Museum.

They experienced what life was like for Victorian children, taking part in a traditional school lesson where they recited the alphabet backwards, chanted times tables and even practised handwriting using hooks and hangers.

Throughout the day, pupils explored the museum's historic streets and listened to engaging talks in the Victorian shops, the chemist, the blacksmith's forge and many more fascinating locations.

It was a brilliant opportunity for the children to deepen their understanding of the Victorian Era and bring their learning to life.

## Outside of school events

**KING'S**  
GLOUCESTER

Senior School Taster Day  
For current Year 3 pupils considering  
Year 7 entry in September 2022  
Join us for a true experience of Senior School life with:

- Assembly in Gloucester Cathedral
- 3 exciting and interactive lessons across a range of subjects
- Opportunities to meet key teaching staff
- Lunch and break provided

Friday 12th June & Wednesday 24th June  
Drop off 8.30am | Pick up 3.15pm  
To book a place for your child, please submit an enquiry via our  
admissions portal: [theadmissions@kingsgloucester.com](mailto:theadmissions@kingsgloucester.com)

For more information, contact our friendly admissions team:  
Email: [theadmissions@kingsgloucester.com](mailto:theadmissions@kingsgloucester.com) | Tel: 01452 207 207

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## Miss Richardson's TREK

On Saturday 11<sup>th</sup> July, Miss. Richardson and her family are taking part in a 13 mile hike through the Cotswolds to raise money for Alzheimer's Society. If anyone would like to make a donation, big or small, the link is below.

[https://www.justgiving.com/page/markshobblers2026?utm\\_medium=FR&utm\\_source=CL](https://www.justgiving.com/page/markshobblers2026?utm_medium=FR&utm_source=CL)

## Celebration Assembly

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



Forthcoming Diary Dates

**25<sup>th</sup> May – Half term**

Monday 1<sup>st</sup> June – Inset day  
Tuesday 2<sup>nd</sup> June – Cheerleading club  
Wednesday 3<sup>rd</sup> June – Ball or nothing club  
Thursday 4<sup>th</sup> June –  
Friday 5<sup>th</sup> June –

**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:**

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