

The Dinglewell Post

sharing our news with our community



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Dear Families,

19th June 2026

Attendance for this week: 94.8%

This week

It's been a *non-stop, action-packed* week - mud flying in Forest School, splashes at GL1, flips and cheers at the gymnastics competition, a curious trip to the incinerator, big smiles for school photos, and drums beating in djembe practice! And somehow, we're only just getting started... With enrichment week and Sports Day around the corner, the whole place is buzzing - children zooming about, excitement in the air, and serious anticipation for that all-important egg and spoon race. It's safe to say - school spirits are sky high!

Year 3 Rockstars:

Miss Brooke's set: 1st Effimie, 2nd Beau, 3rd Kamil
 Mrs Cave's set: 1st Alfie, 2nd Albie, 3rd Evelyn
 Mrs Hazell's set: 1st Jacob, 2nd Eliana, 3rd Daniella

Sports day – REMEMBER YOUR SUNCREAM AND WATER!

Wednesday's turning up the heat! Time to slap on that suncream, pop on a stylish hat, and keep sipping that water - stay cool, stay smiling!

Feeling Hot! Hot! Hot! Calling all gazebos.... If you have a gazebo and can help with putting it up on the morning of sports day, please get in touch and depending on the weather we maybe in contact with you to pop yours up on the day!

We are also having hotdogs for our lunch menu which will be served slightly earlier than normal due to the tight schedule.

Enrichment week – week commencing 22nd June

A letter has been sent out to all children this week, please see below the timetable and take note of the clothing your child/ren need to wear each day.

Year 3	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
	Climbing wall (long bottoms)	Swimming PE Kit + swimming clothes	SPORTS DAY – PE kit with house colour top.	Uniform	PE and Forest School PE kit + Forest school clothes
Year 4	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
	Forest School – 4F only Forest school clothes 4F	Climbing wall (long bottoms)	SPORTS DAY – PE kit with house colour top.	Montagu –PE 4F and 4SU PE Kit	Uniform
Year 5	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
	Cadbury World trip - Uniform	Climbing wall + Forest School Forest school clothes (long bottoms)	SPORTS DAY – PE kit with house colour top.	Montagu –PE 5H and 5Ra PE Kit	Uniform
Year 6	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
	Climbing wall (long bottoms)	Indoor PE PE Kit	SPORTS DAY – PE kit with house colour top.	Forest School Forest school clothes	Uniform

Year 4 Djembe performance

Year 4 children have been practicing hard on the djembe drums over the past few weeks. The djembe is a West African drum made from wood and animal skin, played with bare hands. It produces a range of sounds and is often used in ceremonies and celebrations to bring people together through rhythm. We would like to invite **YEAR 4 only** to a special performance in the school hall on **9th July 2026**:

- **4SL - 9:30 - 9:45**
- **4Su - 10:30 - 10:45**
- **4F - 11:45- 12:00**

House Gymnastics Competition

On Wednesday there was a buzz of excitement around the school as the annual house gymnastics competition took place. Each class put up their six best gymnasts to compete against each other using the Key Steps Gymnastics routines. Mrs Halford and her niece Niamh Grisman, who formerly competed for Sheer Velocity Tumbling Club, judged the performances. In the year 3 competition, Whittington were the victors with an outstanding performance from Bo P to score 9.5. Jenner were the year 4 winners despite a high scoring 9.1 from Rose B. Whittington edged out Potter in the year 5 competition where there were equal high scores of 9.2 for Kiya F in 5Ra and Adriana in 5Ri.

Finally, it was year 6's turn and Jenner were victorious once again. Well done to Stella, Lucy W and Cassia who all scored in the 9s. Special mention for Belle in 6SB who stepped up at the last minute and performed a super routine. All the points will be added to the Sports Day totals. Well done to everyone who took part and did a great job representing their house.

Y3	Y4	Y5	Y6
1. Whittington 42.4	1. Jenner 43.4	1. Whittington 42.9	1. Jenner 43.3
2. Jenner 40.9	2. Potter 42.1	2. Potter 42.1	2. Whittington 41.6
3. Potter 36.1	3. Whittington 39.3	3. Jenner 41.9	3. Potter 40.5





Become a Class Reader – Help Our Children Thrive!

We are looking for volunteers to support our children in developing their reading skills.

If you have a spare hour or so, we would love to hear from you! Your time and encouragement can make a real difference to a child's confidence and progress.

Please get in touch if you're interested in becoming a class reader.

Incinerator trip

The eco warriors were wonderful ambassadors for DJS on Thursday during our trip to Gloucestershire Energy from Waste Facility. Our visit began with an introduction to the Incinerator where we learned that the energy from waste process is used to generate electricity that is exported to the National Grid and can go to power our homes. We then spent some time looking through items on display in the classroom that had been recovered from the ashes following combustion. We loved guessing what the various artefacts were and spotted a variety of items like a bike, a horseshoe, a shot put and even a sewing machine! After that, we got kitted up in our hard hats, glasses, hi-viz and gloves and were ready for the tour. We were able to see the bin wagons unload materials in the waste reception hall before getting a glimpse inside the control room and witnessing the huge grab cranes that mix and move waste in the storage bunker. Another highlight of the tour was being able to peer through the viewing hatch into the furnace and watch the combustion process in full flame!

After the tour, we were treated to an outdoor scavenger hunt, and the children were able to find and identify a wide range of flora and fauna before we then headed back to school. What a great afternoon!



Running out of ideas after school?

We've *all* had that moment — you walk in the door, shoes barely off, and boom... *"Muuuum, I'm boooooored!"* echoes through the house. Before the TV even gets a look-in, why not turn the afternoon into something a bit more exciting?

With a pinch of imagination and a splash of energy, you can turn those post-school grumbles into giggles, mini adventures, and maybe even a bit of magical chaos (the fun kind, of course!). Here are few ideas to help you out.....

Cardboard Creations: Give kids a large delivery box and watch their imaginations run wild. Is it a rocket, a castle, or a cozy reading den?

Obstacle Courses: Let them use couch cushions and pillows to design their own safe living-room jungle adventure

Balloon World Cup: The ultimate challenge - how long can they keep a balloon off the floor without breaking the living room lamp?

World Cup: It's the world cup, football is loved by lots of children, so why not involve some geography, name the capitals, guess the flag, what foods do each country have to eat?

Scavenger Hunts: Create an "escape room" at home by hiding items or setting up an adventure checklist (e.g., "Find 3 things that are red, 2 things that make noise")

Beat the clock game: When it's time to clean up or do small chores, make it a race:

Use your phone timer to challenge kids to beat their personal records when tidying their rooms or sorting recycling

The boring stuff

Time is flying and we ask for those of you who haven't paid for Term 6 Breakfast club and After school club to send those payments through.

We have sent out Term 1 (Sept – Oct 26), these need to be returned by the **3rd July**.

Please make sure school dinners are settled by the end of the term, so we can jump into the new school year with a clean plate.

Due to enrichment activities, year 6 will now have their SRE on Tuesday 30th June and Friday 3rd July.

Outside school achievements/information



Celebration Assembly

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



Forthcoming Diary Dates

Monday 22nd June – Cadbury World Y5/Y4 forest school
Tuesday 23rd June – Cheerleading club/Uniform sale
Wednesday 24th June – With the ball club/Sports day
Thursday 25th June – Montagu club

Monday 29th June –
Tuesday 30th June – Cheerleading club
Wednesday 1st July – With the ball club
Thursday 2nd July – Montagu club
Friday 3rd July –

**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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