

The Dinglewell Post

sharing our news with our community



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Attendance for this week: 94.44%

Dear Families,

As we come to the end of another school year, I look back with such pride and a huge smile at how much our children have achieved and experienced. The progress our children have made both inside and outside of the classroom have been phenomenal – we have watched them grow in confidence, be kind and caring for each other and try their very best. We have had some really fantastic times to celebrate such as the huge talent displayed at our Sports Day and The Christmas Concert. Yet, I have never been prouder than the positivity, team spirit, and resilience shown when our Year 3 classrooms flooded - the way our community pulled together was amazing.

Congratulations to our Year 6 children on their fantastic SATS results! They have worked immensely hard and we are incredibly proud of them. This is, however, only a snapshot of every child and all the fantastic talents they have! We wish our Year 6 a fond farewell and the best of luck in the next chapter of their story.

We also say goodbye to Miss Richardson who is leaving us to work in another school locally and Mrs. Jarvis who is retiring (again!) We wish them both happiness and hope they stay in touch with our Dinglewell family.

Thank you to everyone for your continued support, and we wish you a wonderful, restful and fun summer.

SATs

As mentioned above, yesterday we received our Year 6 SATs results and we are so proud of everyone. A massive thank you to all the children and staff for their hard work and determination to show how fantastic they are. Yet again Dinglewell has performed impressively and are above National Results. Below is a breakdown of our results.

	DJS SATs Results Working at and above ARE	National Results Working at and above ARE
Reading	79%	75%
Writing (TA)	78%	73%
Maths	88%	75%
EGPS	74%	74%
Science (TA)	86%	82%

Yer 3 Rockstar Winners:

Miss Brooke's set - 1st Effimie, 2nd Beau, 3rd Isabella

Mrs Cave's set - 1st Madison, 2nd Albie, 3rd Holly

Mrs Hazell's set - 1st Eliana, 2nd Poppy, 3rd Daniella

Year 3 final games lesson

Y3 enjoyed their final Games lesson of the year consolidating their teamwork, co-ordination and teamwork skills.



A message from the Chair of Governors

On Thursday morning the delayed KS2 SATs were released to schools across the country. It was pleasing to hear the headline results for the school and the significant progress Year 6 pupils have made.

I want to congratulate Year 6 for this great set of results and wish them well as they continue their progress as they move on to their new schools in September. I want to formally thank the staff who have all contributed to this success. This success isn't something that just happens in a school but is part of the planned curriculum journey the pupils follow during their 4 years at the school.

I should also mention that Year 4 have also done well in the recent MTC Assessments, again a reflection on the hard work the pupils and staff have made.

On behalf of the Governors, I want to thank you for the contribution you make each and every day to the success of the school. The success that Dinglewell Junior School enjoys comes from the strong partnership between parents, pupils and the school staff.

In September we will be looking for a new parent governor to join the board and also have a vacancy for a co-opted governor. If anyone wants to find out more about either of these vacancies, please get in touch via clerk@dinglewells-jun.gloucs.sch.uk.

Finally, I hope you all have an enjoyable and restful summer break.

Kind regards, Gary Ridgway

The boring, but so important stuff

Cool milk

"As you may be aware our school has a milk scheme, administered by Cool Milk. Midmorning milk provides a much-needed nutritional boost and keeps children hydrated between breakfast and lunch. Children can reap the benefits of fresh mid-morning milk at a subsidised cost. If you'd like to opt in and have not already done so, simply register your child at www.coolmilk.com/parents. If you register by 25/08/26 you could win a supermarket voucher or free milk for a year!"

School dinner monies - A little summer housekeeping reminder!

Before we wave goodbye to this school year and get ready for the next, please could you hop onto **ParentPay** and make sure any outstanding school dinner balances are cleared.

Think of it as giving your account a fresh start for September!

Ideas for the school holiday

Six weeks of school holidays can feel like a long time to fill! Whether you're looking for free days out, creative activities, or family adventures, here are some fun ideas to inspire your summer.....

- **Nature Trails & Scavenger Hunts:** Print a DIY nature spotter or scavenger hunt sheet at home and head to local green spaces, such as **Robinswood Hill Country Park**, or **Barnwood Park and Arboretum**.
- **Local Museums & Art Galleries:** Many cultural hubs in and around Gloucester are entirely free to enter. You can explore interactive exhibitions, discover Roman artifacts, or take part in drop-in family trails.
- **Library Activities:** Your local library is a treasure trove for school holidays. Most host free reading challenges, storytelling hours, and craft workshops.
- **Build a Living Room Fort:** Use household cardboard boxes and old blankets to build a temporary den or indoor playhouse.
- **Recycled Crafts:** Get the recycling bin out and challenge your kids to make models, rockets, or dolls houses using toilet rolls, milk cartons, and egg boxes.
- **At-Home "Bake Off":** Challenge the family to create the best-looking cupcakes or homemade pizzas with whatever ingredients you have in the cupboard.

Outside school achievements/information

Beezee by maximus



How can you help families and young people across Gloucestershire?

Refer them to one of our FREE healthy lifestyle services today. We offer support to families and young people across Gloucestershire.

Beezee FAMILIES

- Designed to help children above their ideal weight
- Free support available for 4-18 and 12-year-olds
- Have fun learning about healthy eating and moving more

Beezee YOUTH

- 13-17 year olds can talk about topics that matter to them
- Learn about physical, mental and social wellbeing
- Get free resources
- Join a safe space

For more information, please contact us on 01452 717 009 or visit www.beezee.org.uk

Parent & Carer Alliance C.I.C.

SEND SUMMER HOLIDAYS

7th July - Cattle Country Soft Play
 21st July - The Vibe
 22nd July - Skillzone
 27th July - Cleeve Common Ramble
 27th July - Fire & Feast
 30th July - Beach and coach Trip
 4th Aug - The Vibe
 6th Aug - Birdland
 10th Aug - Bournstream Picnic
 17th Aug - Clip & Climb
 20th Aug - SEND Celebration
 25th Aug - The Vibe
 26th Aug - Westonbirt
 27th Aug - Go Bananas soft play

BOOK YOUR TICKETS HERE:
www.parentandcareralliance.org.uk

SEND Summer Celebration

Parent & Carer Alliance C.I.C.

Thursday 20th August 10am - 4pm

Dursley Recreation Ground GL11 4PJ

...AND SO MUCH MORE!!

BOOK YOUR TICKETS NOW!

Don't qualify for HAF?

Enjoy a free barbecue

Sign up now!

HAF parentandcareralliance.org.uk
www.parentandcareralliance.org.uk

LET'S HAVE A HALO SUMMER!



SWIMMING, SPORTS, AND MORE!

SCAN TO VIEW THE FULL TIMETABLE OR VISIT:
HALOSUMMER.ORG.UK/WHATS-ON

The Perrygrove Railway Adventure

STORYBOOK CHARACTER TRAIL

FRIDAY 31st JULY

FREE CHILD ENTRY with CODE BOOKVENT26

FREE BOOK AT THE END OF THE TRAIL FOR EVERYONE WHO TAKES PART!

Find the storybook characters! Solve the clues at every station!

FREE CHILD ENTRY with CODE BOOKVENT26

GRAPHIC NOVEL FUN!

Free Activities, Comics & Creativity!

Join us for the fun!

SATURDAY 29th AUGUST 10-12

At Books for Bugs, Building 12b, Vantage Point, Mitcheldean, GL17 6DD

Pia's PET CLUB

Join author SERENA PATEL

Thursday 13th August 2pm-6pm

at Books for Bugs Warehouse

Building 12b, Vantage Point, Mitcheldean, GL17 6DD

THE BIG STORY PICNIC

AT BEECHURST

Thursday 20th August 10am-4pm

FREE Activities

Books for Bugs

GLOUCESTER FAMILY BEACH

ORCHARD SQUARE

30th JULY TO 31st AUGUST

SCAN FOR MORE INFO

DIVE INTO SUMMER WITH QUAYSIDE BEACH FUN, FAMILY RIDES, FERIES AND UNFORGETTABLE FAMILY DAYS OUT!

YOUR ULTIMATE SEASIDE ESCAPE IN THE CITY!

GECKOUT GLOUCESTER

FAMILY-FRIENDLY POP CULTURE EVENT!

25th July 11am - 4pm

KING'S SQUARE - KINGS WALK - EASTGATE

WHAT YOU'LL FIND ON THE DAY

SAVE THE DATE 25 JULY

Aspire Foundation

HAF sessions this summer in Tewkesbury District

Tuesday 21st July, 12pm-3pm

Family Fun Day

Wednesday 29th July, 10:30am - 1:30pm

Children's art workshop with Art Shop

Tuesday 4th August, 10:30am - 1:30pm

Children's dance workshop with The Dance Theatre

HAF sessions are available for children eligible for free school meals.

CREATIVE ARTS & WELLBEING

HOLIDAY CAMP

FOR CHILDREN AGED 8-12

£35 PER DAY

9:30AM - 4:00PM

WE ENSURE EVERY CHILD FEELS INCLUDED, SUPPORTED, VALUED AND HAS THE OPPORTUNITY TO MAKE NEW FRIENDS.

Celebration Assembly

Well done to everyone who received a Merit Certificate for their hard work and achievements this week!



Off to New Adventures

We've laughed and learned, we've played and grown,
This school has been a second home.
We've made good friends and memories too,
And now exciting things are new.

The time has come to say goodbye,
To spread our wings and learn to fly.
Though we may walk a different way,
We'll treasure what we've shared each day.

So be brave, be kind, and do your best,
Believe in yourself and forget the rest.
New adventures wait just up ahead,
With dreams to follow and paths to tread.

We'll always remember the fun we've had,
The happy times and lessons that made us glad.
As we leave this chapter and start anew,
We know there's nothing we cannot do.

Good luck, Year 6. Your future is bright!

Forthcoming Diary Dates

Back to school – Wednesday 2nd September

Happy holidays everyone!

Monday 31st August – Closed
Tuesday 1st September – Closed INSET for staff
Wednesday 2nd September – Back to school
Thursday 3rd September –
Friday 4th September –

**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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