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Dear Parents,

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Attendance for this week: 91.48%

Although the term has been short with just four weeks, we have crammed so much in and hope the children have enjoyed all the events we have had. Next term looks like being equally as busy: our Year 6 children are looking forward to their residential trip; the children are practising hard for sports day and also looking forward to our Enrichment week to name but a few!

We hope that everyone has an enjoyable half-term. Please remember that school will re-open on Tuesday 3rd June at 8.30am.

Soak the Teacher and the Ice Bucket challenge



This week, some of our brave teachers and TAs took part in the soak the teacher and the ice bucket challenge. In front of a large and enthusiastic audience the staff held their nerve and were duly soaked amid loud cheers. In total over £270 was raised. Thank you for your support.

Swimming Gala news



Yesterday, our Dinglewell team travelled to a hot and humid GL1 to compete in the GSSN Large Schools Swimming Gala. There many excellent performances - too many to mention - but these were the 1st placed results: Yr 2/3 Boys 10m Breaststroke - Henry V; Yr 4/5 Boys 25 m Freestyle - Bear P, Issac E (both 1st in their heats); Yr 4/5 Boys 25 m Breaststroke - Issac E; Yr 4/5 Boys 25 m Backstroke - Charlie S; Yr 4/5 Boys 25 m Freestyle RELAY - Bear P, Issac E, Charlie S,

Jacob L; Boys 25 m Backstroke - OPEN AGE - Lucas B; Girls 25 m Freestyle - OPEN AGE - Bethany K (joint 1st); Girls 25 m Breaststroke - OPEN AGE - Bethany K; Boys 25 m Backstroke - OPEN AGE - Lucas B, Max S (both 1st in their heats); Boys 25 m Freestyle RELAY -OPEN AGE - Lucas B, Mykolas M, Harry W, Max S. Dinglewell came 3rd overall in the 10m races and 2nd overall in the 25m races. Amazingly, we were the outright winners of the gala by 10 clear points, which reflects the strength and depth of the whole team. Well done everybody, excellent swimming! Thank you to all the parents who came along to support our team.

Y3 Trip update



On Wednesday 21st, the Year 3 pupils went back in time to the Victorian Era during their trip to the Black Country Living Museum. They experienced life as a Victorian child by attending a lesson in the school, during which they learnt to recite the alphabet backwards, chant times tables and use hooks and hangers for handwriting. Pupils also attended talks given in shops, the chemist, the barbershop, the blacksmith and many more!

Y4 Trip update



On Monday 19th May Year 4 children visited the Corinium museum in Cirencester to further their learning of the Romans. Children played Roman games, dressed up in fine clothes and built their very own mosaics. The children were a credit to Dinglewell Junior School, thank you for a great day.

Sports Day 2025

We are delighted to let you know that Sports Day this year will be on Wednesday 25th June with a reserve date (in case of bad weather) for Wednesday 2nd July. Events will start from 12.30pm and will be held on the school playground, school field and King George V Playing Field. On that day we will be offering a special lunch menu with only 2 choices: A: Hot Dog in a bun with chips and a cookie and for B: Vegetarian Hot Dog in a bun with chips and a cookie.

Our Enrichment Week is fast approaching! There's lots going on - take note!

Enrichment Week will take place from **Monday 23rd June 2025 - Friday 27th June 2025**, which will provide the children with a range of opportunities to develop life skills and take part in team-building activities. This has been an incredible experience for the past few years and the children and staff are looking forward to the experience this year! There will be a letter with more information and clothing required after half term.

SPORTS FOR CHAMPIONS

Launching our enrichment week this year, we have a visit from international bobsleigh medalist Leon Greenwood. He will be visiting us on **Monday 9th June** and will do an inspirational assembly with the children, before working with them to complete a fitness circuit in the hall. This is a sponsored event, raising money for future Olympians through the 'Sports for Champions' organisation and also raising money for the school. 50% of all sponsorship raised goes to the school. Please use the link below for our crowd funding page and to find out more about the event.

<https://www.crowdfunder.co.uk/p/the-dinglewell-junior-school-fundraiser>

Please note: Remember to include your child's name when donating otherwise we won't be able to allocate prizes.

Willow Dome

We are very excited about adding the Willow Dome to our school grounds and Year 3 and 4 will be taking part on Tuesday 3rd June and Years 5 and 6 Wednesday 4th June. As you know we are able to cover the majority of the cost of the day through funds kindly donated by the Friends of Dinglewell Junior School and the World Book Day cake sale and we have asked for a donation of £2 to cover the remaining cost of the materials and the willow sculptor's time and expertise. If you have not already done so, please would you send in your donation on the first day back to school in a named, sealed envelope. Many thanks for your continued support.

Out of school achievements



This week we are delighted to share in the news that last weekend Bobby in 6CB completed a 10k trail run across the coast in Bridport as part of the Jurassic ultra challenge. It was an incredibly tough challenge in record temperatures with nearly 300m of elevation and Bobby was the first child to cross the finish line. He's been fundraising for months and has raised over £1000 for Cancer Research UK. Well done Bobby!

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



Forthcoming Diary Dates

Monday 2nd June - School closed for INSET Day
Tuesday 3rd June - Y3 Swimming
Tuesday 3rd June - Willow Dome for Ys 3&4
Wednesday 4th June - Willow Dome for Ys 5&6
Thursday - 5th June -
Friday 6th June -

Monday 9th June - Y4 Clarinet lessons
Tuesday 10th June - Y3 Swimming
Wednesday 11th June -
Thursday 12th June -
Friday 13th June -

PLEASE DON'T FORGET THAT SCHOOL will close at 3.15pm on Friday 23rd May for half-term and will re-open on Tuesday 3rd June at 8.30am

Term Dates for 2025-26 are now available from Reception

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:

Information about 2026 Residential trip to Y5 hardcopy
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