

DORNEY SCHOOL



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Newsletter 15th June 2026



Dear parents,

Do remember that everyone is invited to participate in Families/Culture Day this Thursday 18th June 2026.

This year, grandparents have been invited to visit in the morning. If grandparents have not already signed up for this session, booking is now closed.

All parents are invited to come in at **2pm** to enjoy the afternoon looking at their child's work, and mingle with other families. A selection of cakes and treats will be available to purchase in the hall - do bring cash for your purchase.

Between **1pm and 2pm**, do let your child's teacher know or email the office, if you would like a few minutes to share a story, part of your culture or family history with your child's class. Your session could be as long 15 minutes or shorter - this depends on you. The best sessions have been when parents bring in a story from their childhood or culture, artefacts or objects from the past, photos of their families, traditional clothes etc

Some important reminders:

- Pupils may come in clothes of cultural significant or reflect their identity.
- Pupils are invited to bring cakes/treats/savouries which will be sold from 2.30pm in the hall. Donated food must be given to class teachers in the morning (parents may also drop these off at the school office)
- **Pupils may bring a separate dish of choice to share in class**
- We are a nut free school and do provide an ingredient list if possible
- All parents are invited to visit the school from 2.30pm; you will also could look at your child's work for the final time of the year. Your child may be dismissed from school at this time if they are with you. Do remember to purchase a treat ort two in the school hall in aid of school fundraising. The PTA will also be at hand at this time.

We are truly excited for what will be a special and memorable day for all.



News Around the School

Year 6 Residential Trip to Woodrow



Last week, Year 6 had their residential trip to Woodrow. They completed lots of activities, where they had to work together as a team, push themselves out of their comfort zone and get a little bit muddy along the way. We took part in crate stacking, where we needed to work together to stack crates and climb - the class record was 17 crates high from Alfie and Matthew. We learned some survival tips in bushcraft, built shelters and worked together to complete the challenge course, and the Woodrow challenge. Although the weather was a little bit damp for part of our trip, this didn't stop anyone having fun and by lunch time on Wednesday, we didn't even notice the rain anymore! The children were amazing and there were lots of happy (and slightly tired!) smiles on Friday on our return to school.

A huge thank you to the children for being superstars, and for the staff who made this trip possible.
Mrs West



Years 2, 3 and 5 Visit to the Gurdwara

As part of Religious Education, pupils are taught about the main religions practised in the UK over their seven years in primary school. Each year group takes it in turn and gets the opportunity to visit churches, mosques, gurdwara, temples and synagogues. We often have visitors and speakers who enhances our understanding of different faiths. The feedback regarding this trip is overwhelming positive as Mrs Wilson (Year 5 class teacher writes):

“Absolutely wonderful! The children really enjoyed it and it was very well organised. I learnt a lot too which I'll be taking into my teaching. Well worth the time. The children remembered a lot of our learning in class too and behaved well so I felt very proud of them.”



The National Curriculum states that ‘RE also contributes to pupils’ personal development and well-being and to community cohesion by promoting mutual respect and tolerance in a diverse society. RE can also make important contributions to other parts of the school curriculum such as citizenship, personal, social, health and economic education (PSHE education), the humanities, education for sustainable development and others. It offers opportunities for personal reflection and spiritual development, deepening the understanding of the significance of religion in the lives of others – individually, communally and cross-culturally.’

Year 4 Class Assembly



Well done to all of Year 4 for your amazing class assembly last week! We worked hard as a class to research lots of interesting information about volcanoes and earthquakes around the world and what effects they can have on people and the environment. We also created some volcano art work and sang an amazing



song 'We will shake you!' I am very proud of all of Year 4 for taking part, being confident and trying your best! Well done! Miss Hussain

Year 2 Local Area Walk

As part of Geography and Scientific fieldwork, Year 2 went on a local walk in the surrounding area. As ever, thank you to Mrs Hughes who is an excellent local guide.



PARKING

Please be considerate when dropping your child to WC4U before 8am in the **staff car park**. Park carefully in **a space** so that staff are able to park safely.

Please **DO NOT** use the disabled/accessible parking space next to village hall unless you have a blue badge. Drivers and/or passengers with disabilities are frustrated that parking bays designated for disabled road users are being used inconsiderately.

Safeguarding

Dates for Your Diary

18.06.26 – Grandparents/Families/Culture Day

25.06.26 – Sports Day – we will be sending further information this week, look out for parentmail

26.06.26 – Back Up Sports Day

The summer term is always a very busy one full of trips and events. Thank as ever for your support. Without your contributions and donations, school trips and school events will not be able to go ahead. I hope to see many parents and families on Thursday and many more on Sports Day.

Mrs Sharifah Lee
Headteacher





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Reception

Buster for working hard on his phonics in both, reading and writing
Cally for always being ready to learn, great listening and contribution to discussions

Year 1

Kathaleya for independently checking and editing her own work for improvement
Ellie for making excellent progress in the reading this term

Year 2

Zhuri for demonstrating excellent understanding of time when telling the time to 5 minutes

Year 3

Lily for putting her hand up in class to share ideas. Keep it up!
Stanley for improving the quality of his written work and handwriting

Year 4

Archie for settling in so well at Dorney School and trying his best with all learning
Gianna for super effort in Maths when learning about money

Year 5

Arlo for speaking up more in class, especially in Maths and RE
Monroe for detailed responses to comprehension questions and fluent reading

Year 6

Connie for using adventurous vocabulary in her writing
Alfie for having a positive attitude to all of his learning

