



# DORDON DELIVERS

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Week beginning 4th September Assembly Theme: TBC

**Reminder:** Enjoy the Summer Holidays and we will see you back in school on Tuesday 5th September

## What's on Week beginning 4th September

| Monday                                    | Tuesday            | Wednesday | Thursday | Friday                      |
|---|--------------------|-----------|----------|-----------------------------|
| Staff Inset day school closed to children | Autumn Term begins |           |          | Celebration Assembly 2.40pm |

### Happy Summer Holidays

In our final newsletter of the school year, I wish to express my gratitude to all of the members of our school community who have contributed to everything that has happened this year for our school.

Looking back over the past academic year we have achieved a great deal, with our school achieving improved results and 'firsts' in the academic and sporting arena. However, this is even more impressive in a year which has seen many challenges for schools across the country who have faced budget difficulties and recruitment issues.

Our priority has been to focus on maintaining excellent teaching at all levels, in supportive and friendly environments where all of our children are valued. This has stood us in good stead.

Whilst our schools achievements are clearly down to superb teaching and wonderfully behaved and hard-working pupils, we should also recognise the efforts of our, governors, teaching assistants and all of our administrative, catering and site management staff. All of these teams achieve the highest standards on a daily basis and are vital to the success of our organisation.

We also value the quite extraordinary support of our loyal parent body. Not only do they attend school events in large numbers, as was seen in recent Sports Days, but also get involved in all the curriculum events we put on. Our PTA group has also excelled this year, raising significant money to provide 'instances of delight' for the children.

We look forward to September with great excitement. As colleagues move on or are promoted, we look to replace the 'irreplaceable'. Following a round of interviews during this term, we have employed a number of new and excellent staff and will be fielding our strongest teams ever when we return in September. All of us looking forward to teaching a marvellous group of children we are very proud of.

May I wish you all a relaxing and well deserved Summer break and our very best wishes to all those leaving us this term.

Mrs Cross  
Headteacher

### Increase to School Meal Price

When we return in September there will be a slight increase to the cost of school meals, it will now be £2.15 per day and £10.75 per week.

Just to remind you that if your child is having school dinners payment should be received in advance via ParentPay or Pay Point. Please make sure that your child's account is in credit before booking them in for a school lunch.



Y6 Leaver's Disco

All photographs can be purchased via ParentPay for £3 per A4 colour copy.

## Spot Light on Excellence...

### Our children

I have saved the best for last. The most excellent thing about our school, as I tell everyone all of the time, is the children in it.

I consider myself to have one of the very best jobs in the world and it is one I never take for granted. To be part of an organisation that is full of enthusiastic, positive and resilient people is a real privilege and one I know many adults are envious of.

The children of Dordon make me smile every time I am in the building. They exude positivity and pride in our school. Their passion for our school, and everything that happens in it, is amazing! The strength of our school is the children in it.

I thank each and every one of the pupils at Dordon for working so hard for our school and for being simply brilliant. Have a fantastic summer, stay safe and I will see most of you in September.

Mrs Cross



### iPad App of the week

Airport Arithmetic for iPad by  
Primary Games Ltd (£0.69 /  
£0.34 VPP)

Watch your mental arithmetic skills take off with Airport Arithmetic! Work out the missing operation on each aircraft to allow its departure. Incorrect answers will result in a delayed take off.



### Charity Update

Money raised so far for



**£2417.40**

Please note that although we check the suitability of applications, they can be changed without notice.

## What does your child most enjoy about school?

A selection of comments from our most recent parental questionnaire which we are extremely proud of... (names removed for anonymity!)



**"The school is doing a great job, we're delighted with our daughter's progress"**

### This Term's 100% Attendance Stars

Peacock - Dolton, **Amelia**, Isabella, William, Holly, Rosie, Elliot L, Jessica, Maximilian, Noah S, and **Charlie**.

Kingfisher - Noah, Jessica, Thomas, Joseph, **Maisy**, Lottie, Lucy-Mae, Jamie, Holly, Imogen, Alex, **Tallulah-Boo** and Nevaeh.

Swan - Dylan, Hollie, Miya, Jayden, Elzie-Mae, Freya, **Sophie H**, Ruby, Olivia, **Kenzie**, **Billy** and **Ryan**.

Owl - **Ollie**, Jared, Harvey, Lydia, Victoria, Stephanie, Caitlin, Gemma, Joshua, Ethan and **Roshan**.

Swift - **Clark**, Oliver, Holly, Harry, **Rani** and Daniel.

Hawk - Dylan, Thomas, Tristan, Alex, Shyron, Isabel, **Nevaeh**, Callum, Matthew, Ellis, and Jacob.

Falcon - Libby, Annie, **Isabelle M**, Lori, Amarise, Demi-Lea, **Owen**, **Kai** and **Thomas**.

Children whose names are in bold print and underlined have also achieved 100% attendance for the whole year!!

### ParentPay

Could we ask all parents to make sure that there are no outstanding debts on their children's ParentPay accounts. All meals taken, swimming lessons, music lessons and trips need to be paid for as soon as possible. Any accounts with dinner money in credit, where children will be leaving us in July, will receive a refund.

### Dates for your Diary

#### Academic Year 2016-2017

04/09/17 - Staff Inset Day  
05/09/17 - Autumn Term starts  
20/10/17 - Staff Inset Day  
23/10/17 - 27/10/17- Half Term  
22/12/17 - End of term  
08/01/18 - Spring Term starts  
19/02/18 - 23/02/18 - Half Term  
26/02/18 - Staff Inset Day  
29/03/18 - End of term  
16/04/18 - Summer Term Starts  
07/05/17 - Bank Holiday  
28/05/18-01/06/18 Half term  
22/06/18 - Staff Inset Day  
20/07/18 - End of term

These dates may be subject to change if necessary. Details and times to be confirmed nearer each event.

### Attendance

|            | Last Week   | Year  |
|------------|-------------|-------|
| Peacock    | 92.1%       | 95.9% |
| Kingfisher | <b>100%</b> | 96.2% |
| Swan       | 95%         | 96%   |
| Owl        | 94.7%       | 97%   |
| Swift      | 90.7%       | 95.8% |
| Hawk       | 98.5%       | 97.1% |
| Falcon     | 90%         | 95.8% |

*Last weeks  
Postcards Home*  
Peacock = Oliver  
Kingfisher = Amelia  
Swan = Kenzie  
Owl = Caitlin  
Swift = Reuben  
Hawk = Josh G  
Falcon = Grace



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### Summer Reading Challenge at Dordon Library

Don't forget to come and sign up for the 'Animal Agents' Reading Challenge, it is free to take part and all they have to do is read six books over the Summer Holidays. Every time they visit the library they will receive fun items and complete their collectors card. Also Mrs Cross will award every child that completes the Reading Challenge with **30** stars when they come back to school in September!!  
So come along and get reading!

# Falcon

As Year 6 get ready to leave us they would like to share their memories from their time at Dordon Primary;

"During my time at Dordon I enjoyed Reception because we had to take care of guinea pigs. I'm really excited to go to high school and make new friends."

Nathan

"It's amazing to think that I could not read or write at all when I came to Dordon. I will always appreciate everything Dordon does." Anastasia

"I have enjoyed all of the trips and opportunities. I will miss knowing everyone's name when I go to high school." Caelan

"Through out Dordon school I have enjoyed meeting new teachers and I have enjoyed working with my friends and going to Manor Adventure with them. It will be sad to say goodbye." Demi-Lea

"I have enjoyed my time at Dordon and have lots of good memories. One really good memory is my first day at school in reception class." Andrew

"The whole of the years I've been here I've enjoyed all of it but my most precious memories are of my friends." James

"I liked Manor Adventure as I did a lot of activities that I will never do again." Bradley

"This year I have really enjoyed how fun Year 6 has been especially my friends and teachers and they have helped me and always create funny memories. I will miss you all." Libby

"I remember Manor Adventure was really good the activities were brilliant. Once in a group we created an animal that can live in the desert unfortunately it's head popped and it's legs fell off a week later." Jay

"I have enjoyed all of the themes and the trips, mostly learning with teachers. My three years here were very fun, meeting new people and teachers. I don't want to leave." Lori

"I enjoyed Manor Adventure because I got to meet new friends and do activities, some I will probably never get to do again in my life." Thomas

"I enjoyed reception because I always used to play with my friends, I liked doing sports, playing hide and seek and the teachers were really nice." Harley

"I've really enjoyed my time at Dordon from Peacock to now. I have made loads of friends, I'm really going to miss my friends in Year 5!" Annie

"I really enjoyed going to Manor Adventure because I met new people and got muddy on the obstacle courses, also the food was delicious." Owen

"Since I have been in Dordon I have made so many new friends and met so many new teachers. I know so many new things about different subjects thanks to the teachers. I have loved practising for the leavers play, I can't wait." Isabel N

"My favourite memory at Dordon Primary is 'Under the Sea' in Year 5. We had to create a sea animal and we went to the Sea Life centre, where lots of sea creatures swam over and under you." Bethany

"I really enjoyed going to Manor Adventure because I enjoyed every activity." Nathan

"I have enjoyed every minute at Dordon. The biggest thing I will miss is everyone that has comforted me and all the teachers who have been so kind and caring. The high school is much more nerve wracking because it is harder work and I will miss everyone, even my brothers." Rubi

"During my time at Dordon, I have enjoyed all the themes and many books. I will miss all the teachers here and I thank them for everything they have done for us." Ella

"Over the past two years Dordon has helped me excel in every subject. I'll hold my memories close to my heart forever." Amarise

"My favourite things about Dordon are the pupils being friendly, Manor Adventure, watching Skellig and practising our leavers play!" Preston

"Dordon has changed my life but most of all I will miss knowing all the staff and children. I will NEVER forget my years at Dordon." Demi

"I enjoyed learning different themes especially World War2. I'll also never forget the amazing friendships I made here too!" Izzy-Mae

"This year I have enjoyed practising for the play because there have been funny moments and I will miss all of the teachers who have helped me." Isabelle M

"I really like the teachers at Dordon because they are really helpful and make you amazing and they keep you smiling every day." Kai

"I have enjoyed meeting lots of new and brilliant friends in such a short period of time. I will miss the whole school especially close friends in Year 5. Although I am looking forward to moving up to high school." Kiera

"My three years at Dordon have been the best experience. Everyone here is kind, caring and loving and I feel welcome. We are one big family and I will miss everyone!" Ellie