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Dear DMS families,

Our new school week began last Saturday with the most fantastic PTFA Summer Fete I've ever attended!

A huge well done to our amazing PTFA, who worked incredibly hard to bring everything together. Organising an event like this takes a tremendous amount of time and effort, and it was a resounding success! From musical performances, a delicious BBQ, sweet treats and a drinks counter, to various tombolas, stalls, a coconut shy, and so much more – it was a brilliant day with something for everyone. You will see further on the incredible amount that was raised in aid of our school. Thank you all for coming and showing your support!

This week in school, we also held our very first DMS Bake Off competition – and it's been so much fun! Each day, eight pupils, took part in decorating cookies and muffins, competing to win first place for their house. All pupils in each year group were live-streamed into the food tech room to watch the progress and hear the daily winners – it's been a close call every time!

Finally, Year 4 had an amazing transition day. They loved meeting their buddies and getting to know one another. As many of you may have seen, they also enjoyed a singing assembly and were treated to an impressive surprise performance by Mr Webb – on roller skates!! If you haven't seen it yet, check it out on our Facebook page. It's our biggest post ever, with over 80,000 views so far – his skating is officially going viral!!



Mrs King

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Important dates for your diary

8th July	'Aladdin' the musical performance at the Corn Exchange – 7pm (doors open at 6.30pm)
9th July	'Aladdin' performance at the Corn Exchange - 7pm (doors open at 6.30pm)
11th July	SEND Coffee morning for parents/carers - 9.15 to 10.15am
11th July	PTFA Disco – Years 4 & 5: 5.00pm to 6.00pm – Years 6, 7 & 8: 6.30pm to 7.30pm
14th July	End of term assembly Y5 – THS – 2pm to 3pm – parents/carers welcome
15th July	End of term assembly Y6 – THS – 2pm to 3pm – parents/carers welcome
16th July	End of term assembly Y7 – THS – 2pm to 3pm – parents/carers welcome
17th July	Leavers assembly Y8 – THS – 7pm to 8.30pm, doors open at 6.30pm

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PTFA Disco

Don't forget that next Friday 11th July is the last Disco of the academic year!!

It is always great fun for all the children and again this time our future Year 5s (current Year 4s) will have the opportunity to join another school event.

- Years 4 & 5 – 5 to 6pm
- Years 6, 7 & 8 – 6.30 to 7.30pm

There will be a tuck shop with drinks and snacks on the night, please bring cash.



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Parent Question of the Week

My child is in the Aladdin show – Anything I need to remember?

Yes! Please remember all these timings and venue changes for next week!

- **Saturday rehearsal 5th July** - 10-3pm (please arrive promptly at DMS)
- **Monday 7th July** - Please drop your child off at the Corn exchange at **9am with their costumes on a hanger**. Mrs King, Mr Hellier and Mrs Cumber will be there from 8.30am. Pick up from the corn exchange at **4pm on this day**.
- **Tuesday 8th July** - Please drop your child off at the Corn exchange at **9am with their costumes on a hanger**. Mrs King, Mr Hellier and Mrs Cumber will be there from 8.30am. **Please pick your child up from school at the normal time**.
- **Wednesday 9th July** - Please drop your child off at the Corn exchange at **9am with their costumes on a hanger**. Mrs King, Mr Hellier and Mrs Cumber will be there from 8.30am. **Please pick your child up from school at the normal time**.

****We are still in need of parent helpers to walk the children from school to the Corn Exchange on the rehearsal days. Please do contact Mrs King if you have some spare time****

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Pupil Question of the Week

Will I get to see the Aladdin show?

Years 5, 6 and 7 will get to see the show next week as follows:

- Year 5 and two Year 6 classes (6MP and 6EJ) will see the show on Tuesday morning.
- Year 7 and 6 MHR will see the show Wednesday morning. You will walk to the corn exchange and back again in time for lunch!

Remember to clap and cheer loudly when you go!! We had hoped to show the whole school the Aladdin show, but the Corn Exchange is not big enough for all DMS to attend and we don't have the theatre for more than three days.

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**Tesco Stronger Starts
Vote for DMS now!!**

Since this week you can start collecting blue chips when you do your shopping at the local Tesco to support DMS!!

Please make sure to get your chips every time you shop and place them in the DMS slot. This scheme will help us raise needed funds to upgrade our music Department!!

The voting will commence in store this week and you can vote for DMS until the end of September 2025.



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Thank you to our PTFA

You would have seen in social media that the Summer Fete and raffle, organised by our fantastic PTFA raised the amazing sum of **£4,552.62**. Just in the last 2 events they have raised the incredible amount of **£8,682.26**, which will provide much needed resources for our school.

They are a group of parents who despite their very busy personal lives, take any of their spare time to support DMS by organising fund raising events, setting everything up, clearing and cleaning it all up afterwards. They are absolutely fantastic!! Thank you so much from the DMS community!!!!

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Reading News

On Thursday morning, all Key Stage 2 took part in an exciting online event with award-winning children's author Gareth P. Jones. Gareth spoke to the pupils about his books and shared insights into where he finds his inspiration. This fun and engaging session was organised by Dorset Libraries as part of the launch for this year's national Summer Reading Challenge. We hope many of our Key Stage 2 pupils will be inspired to take part! Further information about the challenge will be sent home next week.



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Celebrating our Pupils

Congratulations to Amelia! She had a successful day with two new PBs in her 100m and 200m at the Dorset Schools Athletics Competition!!

She took 1st in the 100m and made it into the final in the 200m. Taking her 5th place to 2nd in an incredibly strong Field. Big smiles by Amelia after a few deep breaths!

Go Amelia!



Summer Fete

The weather behaved perfectly last weekend and the sun was out to greet all the wonderful people who came to the school Fete. There are so many faces to thank, but we don't have enough space here, so please check out our Facebook page!! Here are just a few of the people who made it possible. Thank you!!!!



What is happening in our Community

Year 6 Civic Award - Residential Trip

Our Year 6 Civic Award team had a brilliant time on their residential camp at the weekend. The children put up and took down their own tents, organised and ran their own group activities, and thoroughly enjoyed the bbq and lots of cake! Well done to all pupils who have participated in the award: completing six months of service in school, in the community, learning a new hobby, skill or sport and for committing to a non-physic hobby as well.



Transfer Day

Did you see what Mr Webb was up to during the Y4s assembly? He did a short demonstration of his very secret talent!! We can't tell you how impressed our future Y5s were!! All the children got to meet their new tutors including most of Year 8 who spent the day in their upper schools.



Bake Off Competition

We have had a fantastic week of a Bake Off competition. All the participants did brilliantly, they worked individually and as a team to create very yummy and creative pieces!! It is almost impossible to choose a few images as they were all so good. Watch this space for the winner house!



Please visit our FB page for more photos.

And finally...

These last couple of weeks are incredibly busy – from Aladdin performances and end-of-term assemblies, to trips and many other exciting events! Please make sure you're up to date with all the emails the school office has sent home, as they contain all the important information you'll need. We love to end the term on a high note here at DMS, and it's hard to believe how quickly the year has flown by!

Mrs King