

Dame Dorothy Primary School Weekly Newsletter 2014 - 2015



*Head Teacher's Award
for the Year*



*Bethany Ramsey &
Callum Richardson*



Goodbye to Year 6: I would like to wish our year 6 leavers every success in the rest of their schooling and hope that the hard work and effort they have shown at Dame Dorothy continues in their secondary school and beyond. They have been a wonderful cohort of children all the way through school full of good humour, opinions, quiriness and laughter. They are a credit to their families and I, along with all the staff, will miss them greatly.



SATs Results: I would never want exam results to be the defining statement of Dame Dorothy as I believe the school and the pupils are so much more than a set of test results taken from one week in May. I believe we offer a fantastic rounded education for all our children, full of new opportunities and exciting challenges that make our school stand out above the rest. But of course, SAT results are the most important indicator of how good a school is in the eyes of Government and Ofsted. The teaching staff and children have worked incredibly hard this year and they have been rewarded with another year of record breaking SAT results—our best ever in fact! The new spelling and grammar (SPaG) exam rose sharply to 86% Level 4's with 68% Level 5's. For the first time we achieved 100% Level 4's in writing, reading and mathematics, with a healthy number of level 5's. In addition we scored a sensational 24% Level 6 results—3 times above the national average! Well done to pupils and staff alike!

Message from our Chair of Governors - This has been another fantastic year for the school which is only possible by a combined team effort from all staff. Dame Dorothy is on the brink of gaining recognition as an outstanding school and we now await an Ofsted inspection for formal confirmation of this position. The SAT results for year 6 children are the best results the school has achieved with all children attaining a level 4 or better in Mathematics, Reading and Writing. We expect on the basis of these results that Dame Dorothy will be ranked as one of the top performing school in the country for Maths and will have improved on its current ranking on the 6th percentile nationally for all subjects combined. These results are only possible with continued achievement and progress of all pupils throughout the school. May we also extend our gratitude to members of the PTA for their ongoing marvellous support for the school. Finally can we congratulate all pupils of Dame Dorothy for the many sporting and academic achievements that they have attained this year and wish the year 6 children continued success in their new secondary schools.

The Anti-Bullying Coordinators for the school are, Mrs Burdon and Mrs Maughan. Please use the link to the school website to view the Anti-bullying policy
Children back to school Wednesday 2nd September 2015

INSET Days: New Inset days for the 2015/16 academic year as follows:
Tuesday 1st September; Monday 28th September 2015 ;
Monday 25th January; Monday 20th June 2016.



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Thank you: I would like to take this opportunity to wish all of our families, staff and governors a wonderful summer holiday. I greatly appreciate all the support and kind words we receive from families—it means so much to the staff and myself to know that our efforts are appreciated. An enormous thank you to all of the Dame Dorothy staff who put their heart and soul into giving your children the best possible education we can. Finally, thanks to our children who make our jobs so much fun and so worthwhile.

It has been another amazing year!!!



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