

DOTHILL NEWS



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Dazzling Dotties **Weekly Update** **Attendance** **Important Dates** **Reminders** **Mental Health** **SEND** **EYFS** **Internet Safety**

This Week's Dazzling Dotties!

Look at this fabulous group of children, all smiley and proud. They have really impressed their teachers this week by going above and beyond! They are always living the Dothill values of **Ready, Respect and Safe**. Well done to you all – keep shining we notice all that you do 😊



What have we been up to...?

Sports Days

What a fabulous week it has been, with three Sport Days taking place. We would like to extend our heartfelt thanks to all the parents who joined us for Sports Days over the last two weeks. Your presence, encouragement, and enthusiastic support made the day even more special for all our children at Dothill.

A huge thank you also goes to our incredible staff for their dedication and hard work in organising such a smooth, fun, and memorable event. From setting up the activities to cheering on the sidelines, your efforts truly brought the day to life. A special thank you to Mr Furey for planning all events and to Mr Abbot for ensuring everything ran smoothly.

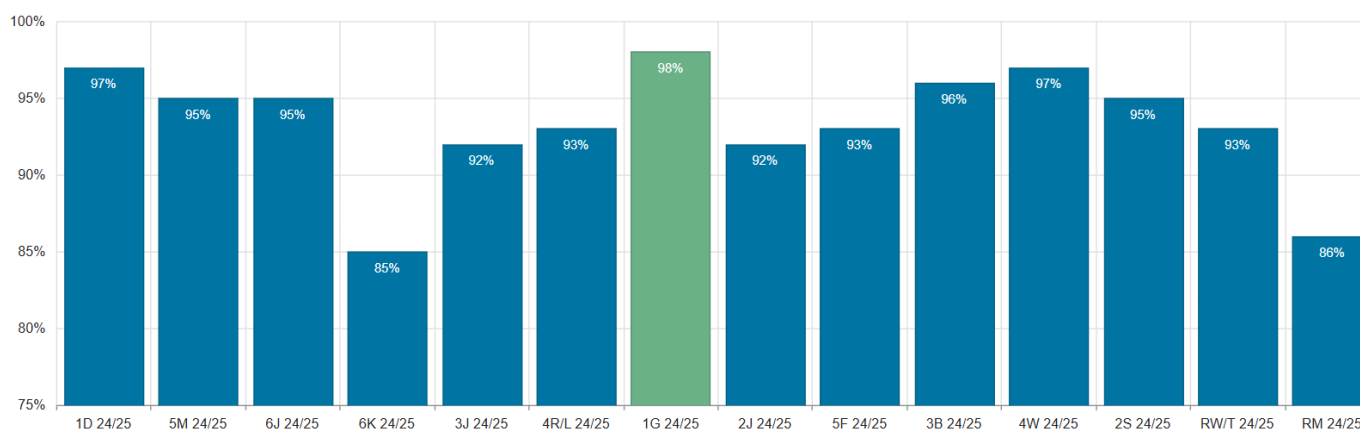
Together, we created a wonderful celebration of teamwork, sportsmanship, and community spirit. Thank you for making it such a success!

Thank you

A huge thank you to everyone who donated bottles and contributed money for our school summer fair! Your generosity and support mean so much and will help make the event a great success. We couldn't have done it without you! We look forward to seeing you all next Friday for the Summer Fair

Attendance

A huge well done to 1G who have a fabulous 98% attendance this week. Also, well done to 1D and 4W who have beat the school target of 96.5%. Being in school all day, every day really helps to feel part of the school community, learn lots and make good progress.



What might the impact of poor attendance be on your child?

In primary schools less than 65% of children achieve good results in English and Maths with an average of 15 days absence a year compared to almost 90% where the average is less than 8 days. Parents can be very surprised at how quickly their children can accumulate 15 days absence within a year.

Research has also shown that children who are not in school can become vulnerable. For example, children who play truant are more likely to be drawn into crime than those who do not.

Mental Health and Wellbeing

3. Learn new skills

Research shows that learning new skills can also improve your mental wellbeing by:

- boosting self-confidence and [raising self-esteem](#)
- helping you to build a sense of purpose
- helping you to connect with others

Even if you feel like you do not have enough time, or you may not need to learn new things, there are lots of different ways to bring learning into your life.

Some of the things you could try including:

Do

- ✓ try learning to cook something new. Find out about [eating a healthy, balanced diet](#)
- ✓ try taking on a new responsibility at work, such as mentoring a junior staff member or improving your presentation skills
- ✓ work on a DIY project, such as fixing a broken bike, garden gate or something bigger. There are lots of free video tutorials online
- ✓ consider signing up for a course at a local college. You could try learning a new language or a practical skill such as plumbing
- ✓ try new hobbies that challenge you, such as writing a blog, taking up a new sport or learning to paint

Don't

- ✗ do not feel you have to learn new qualifications or sit exams if this does not interest you. It's best to find activities you enjoy and make them a part of your life

SEND

SEND Stay and Play sessions | What's On?

Summer Holiday - Newport SEND Stay and Play sessions

The fabulous people at Newport SEND Stay and Play are offering weekly sessions during the summer holidays at the Newport Parish Rooms. These sessions take place each Thursday afternoon during the summer break and are an opportunity for parents of children with SEND to meet in a supportive and stimulating environment. For more information, the group can be found on Facebook. Just search for Newport SEND Stay n Play to find out more.

PODS: Blossom & Bloom Stay and Play Session

Do you have a pre-schooler with SEND? Are you looking for play sessions to support your child's social development? A PODS Stay and Play group will begin on 17th September. Blossom & Bloom is a term-time Stay and Play session for infants and pre-schoolers aged 0-5. There will be fun activities every week: come for a coffee and meet other parents in our welcome and inclusive environment.

Speak with the experienced peer lead team and find out more information on the services available to you. There will be opportunities to discuss schools, nursery and support options.

This will be open to all children who are awaiting or are post-diagnosis. This group meets every Tuesday, in term-time only, from 10:00-11:30 at PODS Hub. For any extra information contact Louise by email at Louise@podstelford.org

Telford Autism Hub – What's On?

The Telford Children's Autism Hub have shared some events for the next two months. Their latest newsletter can be found here at

https://www.telfordautismhub.org.uk/files/ugd/983dae_4b1769437c7d4c4697284fe02f9b2c59.pdf but you can also follow the Hub on Facebook.

Early Years Foundation Stage (EYFS)

Reading is at the heart of all we do at school. Please see the video below which gives you ten things to think about whilst reading with your child. Please remember to read your child's book with them and sign their yellow reading diary. Thank for your support with this.

[10 things to think about when you read to your child](#)

TAKEHOME

23rd - 29th June



Why do people explore the past?

In the news this week

Nearly 140 years after it sank, a team of divers has identified the wreck of a ship, called the SS Nantes, off the coast of Devon, in southwest England. The ship sank in 1888, after crashing into another boat. The shipwreck could finally be named when a diver found a plate with the ship's company logo (or crest) on it.

Things to talk about at home ...

- > Talk to others at home and discuss what you think it would feel like to discover a missing shipwreck.
- > If you could explore one mystery from the past, what would it be and why?
- > Do you believe it's important to learn about the past? Why? What do others at home say?

Please note any interesting thoughts or comments

Dates for your diary

July

4.7.25	Summer Fair (2:30pm – 4pm)
7.7.25	Secondary Transition Day
8.7.25	Secondary Transition Day
8.7.25	Whole School Transition Day
8.7.25	New Reception 1 st Transition Morning (9:30-12:00)
11.7.25	End of Year Reports to be sent out to parents
16.7.25	New Reception 2 nd Transition Morning (9:30-12:00)
15.7.25	Year 6 Production (1:30pm start)
16.7.25	Year 6 Production (9:30am start)
18.7.25	Year 6 Leavers Assembly (1:30pm)
18.7.25	End of school year
2.9.25	Return to School for New Academic Year



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