

An End of Year Message from Mrs Waters

We have made it - the last day of the school year 😊!

We have had an amazing year - Year 1 had a trip to our very own DIS Seaside, we've travelled back in time to 1666, dressed up as pirates, eaten food from different countries and enjoyed a live performance from an orchestra and SO MUCH MORE...no wonder we are all exhausted!

The last day can be filled with different emotions...I wonder how you have been feeling today? I know some of our Year 2 children (and adults too!) will have a few tears as saying goodbye can be hard. However, saying goodbye means we are starting a new adventure so, although we may be sad, I am sure we are excited too! I hope you all have a special DIS memory from this year that makes you smile; I know I have lots!

Today is a day for saying **THANK YOU** so...

Thank you for your continued support during 2025-26.

Thank you to all our shining little stars who have worked super hard and made great progress - we are SO proud of each and every one of you!

Thank you to our **FANTASTIC staff** - they work tirelessly every day to make DIS a very special place to be!

I say this every year - working at Dogsthorpe Infants is a privilege. Yes, we have our tough times and, yes, we have our hurdles to overcome, but as long as we keep working together, all will be just fine!

Whatever you have planned this summer, **please enjoy every precious moment creating memories together.**

We wish you all a fabulous holiday and look forward to seeing you in Sept, ready to...

DREAM, BELIEVE and SHINE!

Take good care

Mrs Waters, Eddie and everyone at DIS

Class Dojo

Current class Dojo pages will be closed on **Monday 20th July**. The children will then be sorted into their new classes at the beginning of September. If you are already connected to Dojos, then you will automatically be connected to your child's new teacher. If you have not signed up, you will receive a notification to do so.

If you need to contact school urgently over the holiday period, you can email

office@dogsthorpeinfants.org.uk

or fill in the contact form on the website. We cannot guarantee that we will be able to answer your query but will endeavour to do so, where possible.

DIS News!
**Summer
Term**
17/07/26

Term Dates 2026-2027

**School closes at 3.15pm on Friday 17th
July for the summer break.**

Autumn Term 2026

School Opens	Monday 7 th September
Half term	26 th - 30 th October
School Closes	Friday 18 th December

Spring Term 2027

School Opens	Monday 4 th January
Half Term	15 th - 19 th February
School Closes	Thursday 25 th March

Summer Term 2027

School Opens	Monday 12 th April
Bank Holiday	Monday 3 rd May
Half Term	31 st May - 4 th June
School Closes	Tuesday 20 th July



Looking for ways to keep your children reading through the summer holidays?

The Summer Reading Challenge 2026 at Peterborough Libraries

The Reading Agency have teamed up with award-winning illustrator Harry Woodgate and Universal Music Group UK to inspire children to explore the world of stories, music and sound in this year's Summer Reading Challenge.

Throughout the summer holidays, children can collect stickers and receive rewards for reading library books, including a sticker booklet, Read to the Beat certificate and bookmark.

Visit your local library from **Saturday 4th July** to join the fun for free!

Visit peterboroughlibraries.org.uk for more information.



WE DIDN'T REALISE WE WERE
MAKING MEMORIES, WE JUST KNEW
WE WERE HAVING FUN



Message from the Chair of Governors

Dear Parents and Carers,

On behalf of the governors of Dogsthorpe Infant School, I want to thank you all for supporting your children and the school staff over the past year.

As always, it has been an action-packed year, crammed full not just with all sorts of learning in all sorts of ways, but also of fun, activities and events to give your children the very best start to their school career that they could have. Of course, none of this would have happened without the skill, dedication and care of Mrs Waters and her wonderful staff team, so I'm sure you will want to join with us in giving them all a huge thank-you.

We wish you all a lovely, relaxing summer, and look forward to seeing many of you again next year - and wish every success for the future to those children who are leaving us to move on to the next step in their education.

With best wishes from us all,

Sue Hartropp
Chair of Governors

Foodbank

Dogsthorpe Infants is an agent for foodbank vouchers. If you are currently going through a difficult financial time and need a food parcel, please speak to Mrs Waters, Mrs Gardner or Miss Stamper. You can be assured that this will be kept confidential. E-Vouchers are now available so can be sent to you electronically. **Please note - the Foodbank require certain information before the voucher can be issued so we are obliged to ask for specific details about your household.**

Polite reminder that the Foodbank is there to supply 3 days of emergency food to support families who are in crisis. This is defined as having very little or no food to eat. Please do not request a voucher unless it is really needed.

If you require a voucher, please email Mrs Waters/Mrs Gardner on: office@dogsthorpeinfants.org.uk or click on the link on our school website www.dogsthorpeinfants.co.uk

One final...THANK YOU!

A huge thank you to ALL parents & families who have supported our school fundraising events over the last academic year - it is much appreciated as we know that times are hard for families at present. Your donations have meant that we have been able to give the children lots of opportunities and experiences, in and out of school, that our budget wouldn't ordinarily stretch to!

Thank you to the parents that have donated vital supplies for the Foodbank instead of giving staff gifts. Your donations will help many families in our community who are struggling at present.

Finally, **THANK YOU** for all the lovely words, cards and gifts you have given to us, we appreciate your kindness.