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## And Finally....July Newsletter #2 2023

Dear Parents

There was a magical atmosphere in the air at school last night. The Year 6 Leaver's party 2023 was a resounding success. Big shout out to Miss Jones for organising with so much incredible support from parents. Thank you all staff who stayed to help including Miss Barker, Mr Lowndes and Mrs Smith. It was great fun. Most importantly the children loved it and rightly deserved it. A great send off.



### Leavers Service

The Service this morning was wonderful. Well done Mr Lowndes and Miss Jones and all staff involved. Once again the children were amazing and we are so proud of them.

It was an emotional end to the term Thank you parents – you are fantastic!

### School Closure and Autumn start.

School finishes at 2:30 today (meaning early buses too) in line with the Infant Schools. We are back Monday 4<sup>th</sup> September (staff are back on Friday 1<sup>st</sup> September for Safeguarding training).

### Governor News

A huge thank you to Mrs Kate Couldwell and Mrs Vicky Hill who are stepping down from their roles (Chair and Vice Chair respectively). They have made a real difference for our school and guided us through some really difficult times. I cannot thank them enough.

Our new Chair – Mrs Helen Parrott and joint Vice Chair – Chris Woodgate / June Kershaw have been waiting in the wings to assume their new roles and will no doubt be excellent. They will be introducing themselves soon in the Governors Annual Review – published in the Autumn term.

### FODS

Just a reminder there won't be a FODS committee next year – no chair, vice chair, secretary or treasurer. This could impact on what enrichment we can provide. We will definitely endeavour to fundraise ourselves in school. If there are willing volunteers to start up a new group please let the school office know. Thank you.



## Droxford Junior School SATs scores – comparative data

SATs	Grammar		Reading		Maths		Writing		R,W,M	
Droxford 2023	EXS	GDS	EXS	GDS	EXS	GDS	EXS	GDS	EXS	GDS
Droxford 2023	76%	28%	85%	39%	76%	22%	67%	17%	59%	4%
Hampshire 2023	72%	29%	74%	31%	72%	22%	73%	15%	60%	9%
National 2023	72%	30%	73%	30%	71%	22%	71%	13%	59%	8%

EXS – Achieved the expected score

GDS – Working at a greater depth within the expected standard

It is fantastic to see that in nearly all, but the elements of writing and combined scores, that our children are consistently scoring higher than National and County scores. Undoubtedly we will look at writing next year and reflect on our practice.

Taking nothing away though, we are super proud of these Year 6s and they should be congratulated on how far they have come, what they have achieved from Infant school, through COVID and ending their four years at DJS.

Great work and thank you to Miss Jones, Mr Lowndes and all staff who have influenced these children with teaching and learning.

Well done!

### The 4:30 Club & Breakfast Club

A new club is starting – cleverly named the 4:30 club – running from 4:30 – 5:30, led by Mr Banham and Dawn Watmore (Dancebox). Childcare vouchers can be used for this and Breakfast Club.

<https://www.droxfordjunior.co.uk/page/?title=After+School+Clubs&pid=36>



It just remains for me to say thank you and well done to everyone again: Parents; FODS, Governors; **all** our wonderful staff throughout the school and our children, who make Droxford amazing! Have a great summer!

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