



NEWSLETTER

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A MESSAGE FROM MR SIBLEY

Dear Parents,

We have yet again seen some very talented children this week in the Year 6 production, 'What a Knight!'. It was truly 'West End standard' with fantastic acting, dancing, singing and comedy. I would like to congratulate all the children involved who performed on stage and those children who worked very hard backstage and as set designers. I would also like to thank the teachers and Teaching Assistants who have worked extremely hard on this production. Thank you to our Year 6 parents who helped with staging and make up which all looked wonderful.

I would like to wish all of our year 6 children and parents the best of luck for the future and I hope the children enjoy the next step in their 'life journey'. Please keep in touch as we love to hear how you are getting on. I have enjoyed getting to know you all during my first year at DESS.

As we come to the end of another year at DESS, I would like to say thank you to staff who are leaving. I wish them all the best of luck with everything they do in their lives. I would like to thank them for everything they have done whilst working at DESS as many of them go 'above and beyond' in their commitment to their jobs and responsibilities. I also want to thank all the parents, Board of Governors, sponsors, Class Mums, Parent Council and the wider community of DESS for continually supporting us to try to provide the best opportunities and education we possibly can for the children who attend this school.

I am sure you will all join me in welcoming our new staff who will be starting in September. The DESS calendar for next year which has the major events on it can be accessed using the link below. Please be aware that there may be times when some events need to change dates. I wish you all a restful and enjoyable break .

NEW ECAS AT DESS!

We are pleased to be able to announce that from September DESS will be extending its extra curricular provision for privately run (fee paying) activities with the addition of three new fantastic clubs, Cricket, Pottery and Sports Leadership for Children (Playmaker).

Our new Cricket Club is for girls and boys and is taught by 'Stallions'. More details on this club can be found here: [Cricket](#).

Our new Pottery Club will expose children to ancient and modern pottery techniques. More details on this club can be found here: [Pottery](#).

Sports Leadership (Playmaker) will provide children with the confidence to set up simple games and activities and assist and give them confidence to lead a group of children to participate. Details on this club will be available soon on our website.

New Teacher Allocation

By now, parents and children will know which teacher their child is moving to next year. Please can I reiterate that the decision about which teacher a child moves to is made exclusively by the Senior Leadership Team. With the greatest of respect to our parents, the school must make this decision.

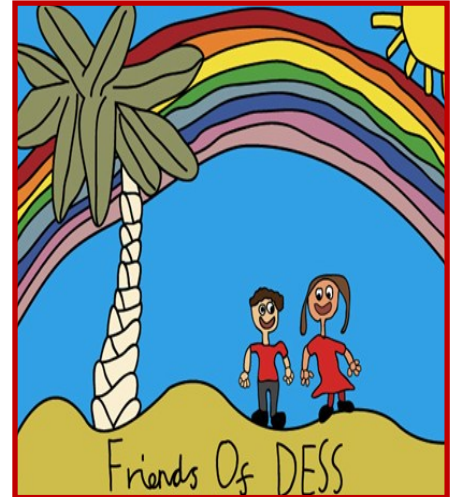
Thank you. Sean Sibley

Find out about our children's achievements here:

[**Awards of The Week**](#)

THINGS TO REMEMBER

- ◆ Our Parent Council now have a dedicated page on the DESS website: [Parent Council](#)
- ◆ Our policies can be found here: [Policies](#)
- ◆ Our new Calendar of Events for the Autumn Term can be found here: [Calendar of Events](#). Please note that there may be times when dates may need to change.



Music at DESS

We Are On The Move

The Music Department would like to remind parents that, from September, we will be in a different location in the school.

Our new temporary home will be in the classroom being vacated by 2B which is next to the Presentation Room.

The Music Department will move into their permanent music room once the new building is available.

Sport at DESS

Notices

If there are any parents who could kindly help in swimming classes in FS1, FS2 and Year 1 from September 2017 please could you contact Mrs Robson in the PE Department.

The PE Department would be very grateful for any donations of second-hand PE kit which is no longer required. Please drop any items into the PE Department.

A ski trip is organised every year at DESS for Year 5 and 6. This is planned to take place on Sunday, 28th January to 4th February 2018 and with a cost of approximately QAR10,000. Letters for this trip will be sent at the beginning of next term.



2017-2018 SPORTS TRIALS

Dates for September trials have been emailed to current years 2, 3, 4 & 5.

Closing date: 07th September

Friends of DESS

Next Meeting:

New meeting date for the next term will be announced soon.

Notices

Voting for Friends of DESS committee positions will take place in September. More details on this will be released soon.

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fantastic team!

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