



The Dixie Grammar School

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WHAT SUBJECTS WILL WE LEARN?

Science x 5
Maths x 6
English x 7
Humanities — History, Geography and RS x 5
Modern foreign languages — (Mandarin, French and German) All taught together x 4
Art, Music, DT and HE x 6
Enrichment x 3
Computing x 2
PSD x 2
Games/PE x 5

REWARDS AND BEHAVIOUR

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HELLO YEAR 5!

We are really looking forward to you joining us at the Senior School

YOUR FABULOUS TUTORS!

MS A. CORTEN
MS B. HAGGART
You will meet them properly on Induction Day!

Dear Parents

As I have caught up with individuals following internal, GCSE and A level exams this week I reflected that rarely have I felt more proud of Dixie students. Whilst the COVID nasal swabs and testing kits have been fully relegated to the bins, the return to normal school life is still very much a work in progress, making the calm resilience shown by our Senior School pupils during exam week all the more remarkable. There have of course been, and will continue to be bumps in the road, but the confidence, self-esteem, resilience, mutual support and kindness referred to so widely in our recent [inspection report](#) have been much in evidence in recent weeks, and particularly so in the midst of exams.

As some of you will be aware, Mrs Billington has had some time away from school (we look forward to seeing her after half term) and this has given me the chance to spend more time than usual at the Junior School. I have been delighted by and very much appreciated the early morning smiles, enthusiasm and impeccable manners of Junior School pupils (and parents!) as I have covered the 'meet and greet' duty first thing in the day.

We are one, not two schools and exploiting the opportunities of Senior/Junior 3-18 collaboration is an on-going priority for us as a school. As I write, next year's Head Girl Eleanor Bee is getting her black belt in bunting and balloons (under the supervision of 10th Dan Miss Dicksee) as we prepare for our Jubilee Celebrations with pupils, staff, Governors and local residents later this afternoon. Last week she and Mr Mellors accompanied some Year 6 pupils to present to Year 5—to answer thorny questions such as: 'What are lessons like?' and 'How much homework will I get?!'.



Following the visit, Eleanor sent me the following by email:

"The Year 6 pupils did a great job at presenting and I was really impressed with all of them. They did say they were nervous but when presenting they all spoke loudly and with great confidence. The Year 5s were very eager to ask questions and the Year 6s were equally as excited to answer! I think they are really looking forward to moving up in September now the Year 6s have settled some of their nerves."

Much of this half term has been about making preparations—for senior pupils for exams and for us, the big events of next half term and plans for next academic year. The moving up days, induction, science days and bridging courses are all planned and further details have been sent and are included in this newsletter. Following the appointment this week of a new PE teacher in the Senior School— Mr Ben Terry from St. Bartholomew's Church of England Academy, and Mrs Susan Till from Chase Terrace Academy as Head of German, our teaching team is fully in place for next academic year. We are currently advertising for a [School Administrator](#) (term time only), a [Teaching Assistant for our Nursery](#) and a part time [Facilities Administrator](#). If you know of anyone who may be interested in these roles, please encourage them to make contact— gilesn@dixie.org.uk.



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Jubilee Celebrations



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As part of our preparations for the Jubilee celebrations, all of the children at the junior school were helped today by senior school students to create something special. Watch this space for the final result 🏰 🇬🇧 #Dixiedifference #Dixiegrammar #independentschool #queensjubilee #queensjubilee2022

PLATINUM JUBILEE CELEBRATIONS AT THE JUNIOR SCHOOL started with all standing to sing the National Anthem





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The Business & Entrepreneurship Award 2022

As ever, the Business and Entrepreneurship Award has attracted a broad and exciting range of entries. We have two clothing based businesses, one new and one recycled, an event editing service, a flower pressing and framing



service, a product to protect saddles in transit and a business specialising in products for people with ginger hair.

Students have been busy preparing their presentations and the Q&A session with

judges Leigh Harrison (Dixie parent and kind sponsor of the prizes), David Wick (Dixie parent and Former Head Boy) and Mat Knowles (Dixie parent) will run on June 16th. Good luck to all!

Lexie Deer	Just Sparkle
Ejaz Ahmed	Ejaz Visuals
Millie Boddy, Leila Spencer & Lexie West	Equisecure
Raia Gordon	Retrocity
Leah Strachan	Ginger-bred
Ava Pritchard	Perfect Petals

Year 6 Teddy Bears' Picnic inter-House competition received good interest with 23 entrants wanting to take part and gain a place in the student final which is to be held on 30th June with the support of our sponsoring Rotary Club, Hinckley Albion. The competition final will involve students planning, preparing and serving a 'picnic' for two people which must include 2 varieties of cake or biscuit, 2 varieties of sandwich all served with a suitable drink.

In order to select students for the 4 place final, those interested were divided into 4 groups and asked to make cakes which were then judged anonymously by staff - the baker of the winning cake from each group gains a place in the final. Well done to all!

Group 1 winner Arthur Aldis 6H picture 1 Lancaster



Group 2 winner Phoebe Saunders 6M picture 5 York



Group 3 winner Charlotte Oram 6H picture 1 Lancaster



Group 4 winner George Prentice 6M picture 2 York





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Events



Year 7 survival day

To celebrate the end of Year 7's DOSE for this year, we have planned a 'Survival Day' on 15 June, where they will follow a 5-6km route down to Barton Road that they have planned themselves using OS maps and mapping skills in preparation for D of E in Year 9. They will then put finishing touches to their natural shelters, create a cooking area and tripod, light a fire and plan and cook their own team lunch over the campfire and finish a 'outdoor selfie' challenge to try and win a prize for their team.

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Wednesday 15 June

A day of outdoor activities with your year group at our Sports Ground on Barton Road.

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Tuesday 21 June



A day of fun experiments based in the science laboratories with Year 5 and Year 6.

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Thursday 23 June



Spend the day with your classmates, try some lessons and get to know your new school.

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Whole School Sports Day ~ Tuesday 5 July 2022

9.45am—3.30pm at our Barton Road Sports Ground



Please feel free to bring along a picnic ~ hot and cold drinks will be available





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A Level Bridging Course

The Dixie Grammar School Sixth Form Induction 2022

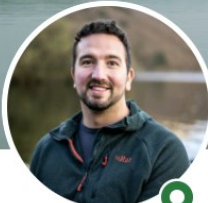




Monday 27 June - Friday 1 July

RSVP by Monday 20 June to: info@dixie.org.uk**Leadership. Teamwork. Success.**

Our A level bridging course (27 June —1 July) for Year 11 and those joining the Dixie for the Sixth Form, includes an acclaimed guest speaker, team building challenges, research and study skills acquisition sessions, the completion of mini academic projects in small groups, a treasure hunt and introductory sessions in all A level subjects. Logistics will be finalised and fully

explained in tutor sessions at the start of the bridging course week.

Darren Edwards · 1st

Disabled Adventurer, Motivational Speaker and Expedition Leader
Shrewsbury, England, United Kingdom · [Contact info](#)

Darren Edwards

University of Westminster

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	
1	Meet your tutor and tutor group and make appointments for later in the week	Y11 Guest speaker for Year 11 and Lower 6th - Darren Edwards	Continued planning for mini project (in groups)	Block B lessons Geog (VE) Eng Lit (JSD) Physics (SMK) Biology (HG) Business - SH has Yr 12	Chemistry (SR) <i>Block C lessons -PE (CF)</i> <i>French (RJT - HJB to cover Yr 12 lesson 1)</i> <i>DT (MM)</i> <i>Biology (GB)</i> <i>Physics (RJB)</i> <i>Lit (JD)</i> <i>Geog</i> <i>RS (AH)</i>	
2	ALL Team building challenges		Staging Post 2 - completion of presentations		Block A lessons English (PM) Maths (R/L) History (JPM) Chemistry (AC) Psychology (HJ)	Biology (HG) <i>Block A - Chemistry (SR)</i> <i>History (JPM)</i> <i>Maths (R/L)</i> <i>English (PM)</i> <i>PE (LB)</i> <i>French (RJT)</i> <i>Lit (JD)</i> <i>RS (AH)</i>
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4		School/Bosworth treasure hunt	Block C lessons Computing (NM) PE (CF) French (HJB) Art (GD) DT (NP) Biology (GB) Chemistry (SR)	Block B - Lit Business (SH) <i>Physics (SMK)</i> <i>Biology (GB)</i> <i>PE (LB)</i> <i>Chemistry (AJC)</i>		
5						
6		Initial planning for mini project (in groups)				
7	Continued group work	Business (SH)			Business (SH) German (SA/ST)	
8	Barton Road Team Challenges - AJK	Staging Post 1 - feedback and peer critique of initial ideas			Mini project - presentations	Block D lessons RS (AH) FM (LD) German (ST/SA) Business (SH) Psychology (New)
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Events and Other Dates

News @ The Dixie May 2022



Dixie Grammar School PTA
Cordially Invites You To

The Dixie Dr

Annual Summer Ball
Black Tie Event

At Barton Road Sports Ground
Saturday 2nd July 2022

Reception Drinks 6:30 pm
Four Course Meal
Live Music & Dance
Raffle / Auction
Carriages 12:30 pm

TICKETS
£80

Proceeds to Dixie PTA - Charity Number: 1048388

**PTA, Upper
Sixth and
Alumni Ball**

The Headmaster is delighted to invite you to our:

Senior Presentation of Prizes

Friday 8 July 2022

2 to 4 pm at the Sports Ground, Barton Road

Refreshments served from 1.30pm

RSVP 01455 292244 | office@dixie.org.uk



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Other Dates for your diaries:

Monday 13th June - Year 5 Engineering Day

Thursday 16th - Friday 17th June - Year 5 camping and sailing

Thursday 30th June - EYFS social evening

Thursday 7th July - EYFS Speech Day

Friday 8th July - Years 1 - 5 Speech Day