July 2025

Dear families

At Dixons Music, students in Upper Key-Stage 2 (years 5 and 6) may arrive on site and be dismissed independently, with parental consent.

Please complete the reply slip below if you wish for your child (in Year 5 or Year 6) to be dismissed independently throughout the new academic year form **29 August 2025**.

Whilst this may make pick-ups and drop-offs easier for many families, we appreciate some families may still wish to collect students from these year groups from their dismissal doors. No student will be allowed to leave without parental consent. You do not need to fill in the reply slip if you will be collecting your child from their dismissal doors.

Should your plans change and you wish for your child to stay in school, please contact the academy before 8.20am, at the latest, to ensure the message can be picked-up and collection lists altered. If there is an emergency throughout the day, please contact the academy in the usual way. Please note the playground and outside areas are unsupervised before school, and so for safety reasons, unaccompanied Year 5 and Year 6 students should not arrive before the start of the school day at 8.20am, unless they have a booked place at Breakfast Club.

If you make the decision to allow your child to arrive and leave independently, please discuss with your child/show them:

* Where your agreed pick-up place will be.
* The route they should take to your agreed pick-up place or address location.
* They should return to either the DMP or DTA office immediately if they feel worried, unsafe or cannot find their adult at the agreed pick-up place or if nobody is home at the address location.
* They should never accept lifts from strangers without parental consent (please explain this includes family friends and parents/ carers picking up other children - even if they are trying to help! Instead explain that your child must say, “I need to go back to Dixons Music Primary so the office can get consent from my parent/carer”).
* They should never try and walk home if they believe parents are late to the agreed pick-up place.

Please be reminded Year 5 and Year 6 students may not pick-up/drop-off siblings in younger year groups. Students in Year R-Year 4 should be supervised by an adult or appropriately aged older sibling until they have entered the building. Likewise, at the end of the academy day, please ensure students are fully supervised from dismissal until off-site. Students should not play with equipment on the EYFS playground at this time.

Thank you for your co-operation and support to ensuring the safety of our students.

Yours faithfully

**Miss Steele Mrs Morrissey**

**Principal Head of School**

**Year 5/Year 6 Consent 2025-2026**

Name of Child: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ Class: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

* I give permission for my child to be dismissed without adult supervision from **29 August 2025 at 3.05pm (Monday- Thursday) and 2.05pm (Fridays)**
* I will inform the academy by **8.20am** if plans change and I wish for my child to stay in school
* My child knows where our agreed pick-up/drop-off place will be
* I have spoken to my child about staying safe when off-site from the academy

Parent / carer name: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_Signature: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_