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Newsletter 19 Monday 27th January 2020

Dear Parents,

Although we can see the occasional sign that Spring is on the way, the weather forecast for this week is still decidedly wet and wintery! With that in mind, please continue to send the children in with appropriate clothing to keep them warm.

Class News

FS1/FS2 – This week we have enjoyed learning all about the city and the countryside.

Y1 – The children have had great fun being architects, building and creating grand designs. We have been inspired by the main character in our story, 'Iggy Peck'.

Y2 – This week we have enjoyed exploring photography equipment as part of our Computing topic.

Y3/4 – This week we have been practising using different filming techniques on the iPads, during our computing lesson.

Y5/6 – This week we have been investigating thermal insulators and conductors. We used different materials and ice cubes to test which material would make the best lunch box!

Welcome

A very warm welcome to Rayz Gurung who started at Dishforth Airfield last Tuesday in Year 4.

Online Safety Newsletter

Please find attached to this newsletter the January Online Safety Newsletter for parent / carer information and advice.

Parent / Child / Teacher consultations – Tuesday 11th February

A confirmation slip will be sent out next week with your allocated time.

Outside project – plans

Attached to this newsletter are plans for developing a Performing Arts area in school behind Dandelions. The children are very excited about this and we are hoping to start work later on this year. A huge thank you to everyone who supports our fundraising events in school, such as the uniform and book sale last Friday, as every little helps in developing the facilities in school for all the children.

Cake Bake Sale – Friday 7th February

There will also be a cake bake sale after school on Friday 7th February – please send donations into school on the morning of the sale.

Clubs for Spring Term

Clubs for the spring term are underway for the children and they finish week ending the 27th March.

Yo-yo Club

If your child has a yo-yo and would like to learn new tricks with it, then we are happy for them to bring their yo-yo into school on Friday lunchtimes where Kieran from Year 6 will lead a new yo-yo club!

Special School Dinners – no pre-order necessary

The children thoroughly enjoyed the Chinese New Year Banquet on Friday and they had a super try at using chop sticks!



Future special events include:

Tuesday 25th February – Shrove Tuesday – Pancakes for pudding!

Thursday 5th March – World Book Day special lunch

Thursday 19th March – Big Brunch Day - Details to follow!

Be Safe Be Seen

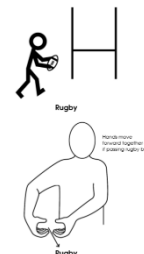
If your children are cycling to and from school please ensure that they wear a helmet and understand at least basic road safety. The road is narrow and busy so all users need to be aware of each other.

Makaton in school

We have a growing number of children in school who are using Makaton to support their communication. During assemblies, we are continuing on developing some basic signs.

This week's sign is *rugby*

Here is a link to the Makaton site. <https://wetalkmakaton.org/>



Library Days

Please ensure your child has their library book in school for their library day.

Reception	Wednesday
Year 1	Friday
Year 2	Monday
Year 3/4	Tuesday
Year 5/6	Thursday

Emotion Coaching drop-ins with Mrs Dixon – next date Thursday 19th March

In school we use emotion coaching to support children to develop their emotional literacy and navigate problems independently. This approach is founded in research and has proven to be very effective at supporting children to regulate and recognise their own emotions and behaviours. Previously the whole staff team was lucky enough to receive training in emotion coaching from the North Yorkshire County Council Educational Psychology department which has been tailored specifically to support service children and the challenges they may face. We are delighted that we are able to continue to pass this training on to you. Mrs Dixon has run a successful programme for

parents in the past and is happy to continue to provide 'drop in' support for anyone who feels that they might benefit from emotion coaching at home. The dates are listed below and all sessions will be held in the EYFS classrooms. All are welcome, if you have any questions or would like to arrange another meeting then please feel free to speak to Mrs Dixon at any point.

Emotion coaching drop-ins are scheduled on the following dates:

Thursday 19th March, Thursday 14th May and
Thursday 9th July

PE days

Please can you ensure your child has their PE kit in school on the following days:

EYFS – Monday & Friday

Year 1 – Wednesday (swimming) and Thursday

Year 2 – Tuesday and Thursday

Year 3/4 – Wednesday (swimming) and Friday

Year 5/6 – Tuesday and Friday

PE Kit for colder weather

We try to do PE outside as often as possible. Please send in a black or navy track-suit for your child to keep them warm when they go outside.

Earrings during PE, Sport and Swimming sessions

Please can we remind parents, if children have their ears pierced they must take out their earrings for P.E. lessons. Children are advised to take their earrings out before coming to school on the days when they have P.E. lessons or swimming lessons. We also advise that children get their ears pierced at the beginning of the summer holidays to allow for them to heal over the 6 week break.

Parent Volunteers

We always welcome parental support and help in school. If you feel that you may be able to help in school in any way such as: hearing readers, making resources, taking a small group for sewing or craft activities, please speak to your child's class teacher.

School Dinners update for January

The price for dinner is £2.75 per meal (£13.75 per week). The cost for the month of January is £52.25 (for meals). Please ensure your Parent Pay account is up to date and we advise that credit is put onto the account at the start of each month.

Packed Lunches

A polite reminder that there should be no sweets or chocolate bars in packed lunches or fizzy drinks. Also, we are a **NUT FREE SCHOOL**. We do have children with allergies to nuts so please refrain from any sort of nut products in packed lunches – thank you.

Parent Away

Please do let your child's class teacher know if a parent is away from home so that we can offer additional support. Parent Away Club is run by Mrs Cunane on Thursday lunchtime and is available to children if they wish to attend.

30 Hours Funding for Nursery

Please be aware of the deadlines for parents to apply for 30 hours funding if your child is currently in Nursery or will be starting Nursery.

For the Summer Term 2020 you must apply and have received your eligibility code before 31st March 2020.

Please note, it is recommended that you apply for your code at least a month before the deadline and before any holiday periods to allow time for queries to be dealt with and places to be allocated.

Diary Dates

January 2020	
February	
7/2/20	Cake Bake sale 3.15pm
11/2/20	Parent / child / teacher consultations
11/2/20	Safer Internet Day
14/2/20	Break-up for half term
24/2/20	School open
March	
2/3/20	Create Education Day for KS2 – computer aided design and 3D printing
5/3/20	World Book Day
w/c 9/3/20	Science Week
13/3/19	KS2 Virtual Reality
27/3/20	Clubs finish
27/3/20	Sponsored Walk
April	
3/4/20	Break-up for Easter at 2.30pm
20/4/20	Training Day
21/4/20	School open for summer term
May	
8/5/20	May Day – school closed for the day
w/c 11/5/20	SAT week
20/5/20	Class photos
22/5/20	Break-up for half term

AWARDS

Celebration Assembly

On Friday afternoon, we have our Celebration Assembly. This week the following children were given our weekly awards;

Celebration Cup

This week the cup goes to someone who has a fantastic learning attitude and always puts 100% effort into anything they do. Not only is this person a super learner, they are also a kind and caring friend to others. It is an absolute pleasure to have them in our class. Keep up your great work! Congratulations and well done to Jessie Glenister.



Ribbons



FS1 – The ribbon this week goes to someone who has settled into Nursery really well and puts a smile on our faces every day. Well done, Elih!

FS2 – The ribbon this week goes to someone who has really impressed us with his care and attention in his writing this week. Well done, Seb!

Year 1 – This week the ribbon goes to someone who has fantastic knowledge in RE. They were able to share their knowledge with the class. Well done, Ada!

Year 2 – This week the ribbon goes to someone who has worked hard in all areas from fractions, to story writing, to demonstrating skills in gymnastics. Well done to Madie Bell!

Year 3 – This week the ribbon goes to someone who has been working really hard on their Egyptian artefact research. Well done, Lexi!

Year 4 – This week the ribbon goes to someone who has demonstrated excellent resilience and independence in writing. Well done, Ewan!

Year 5 – The ribbon this week goes to someone who has shown great enthusiasm and hard work in maths! Well done, Elliot!

Year 6 – This week the ribbon goes to someone who has impressed us with their determination in maths! They have persevered with fractions this week and challenged themselves! Well done, Morgan!

Values in Action

This week our Values Award goes to Lili for her shining example of co-operation, resilience and respect. Lili was nominated by Awa, who said Lili was being a good friend and trying very hard in all that she does. Well done, Lili.



Attendance

Good attendance at school is key to your child's progress.

Week Commencing 20th January 2020

Reception	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3/4	Year 5/6
89%	98%	96%	94%	98%

Kind regards,

Julie Lyon

Head Teacher

Community News



Friday, 31 January at Carlton Lodge
from 4.00pm – 8.00pm.

Aussie BBQ and Climbing at Carlton Lodge Activity Centre
We want to do our bit to help the Aussie Fire Service and the Animal Welfare charities fighting the fires and their effects in Oz. Come have a go on our climbing wall and a snag (sausage) off the Barbie! All donations will be gifted to those fighting the fires to help clear up after the devastation.

'Heck' will give a prize to the best dressed Australian!!