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# Newsletter 2 Tuesday 14th September 2020

Dear Parents / Carers,

We have all enjoyed a super first week back in school. It has been fantastic to have the school full again after the last six months and the children have settled back into the school routines brilliantly. On a different note, it looks like we are going to have a hot couple of days, so please ensure your child has sun cream on before they come to school and some to re-apply as necessary during the day in a named bottle – thank you.

# **Drop-off and Pick-up**

A polite reminder that only one parent should be dropping off and picking up at school to minimise the number of adults in the school grounds.

# **Office**

If you need to call in at the school office for anything, please can we have a one in and one out policy so that everyone can maintain social distancing. If possible, please telephone so we can minimise the number of adults in school.

### **Class News**

**EYFS:** We have had a fantastic week in Early Years! The children have been exploring the outdoor area; finding bugs and cooking in the mud kitchen. The new children have settled in brilliantly and all have carried out great learning.

**Year 1/2:** We have had a great week getting to know each other and our new teachers. We have enjoyed doing a treasure hunt around the school and finding local places on a map. We have also written about our holidays and made fantastic postcards.

**Year 3/4:** We have enjoyed being back in school this week as Year 3 and 4s! Our favourite part of the week has been our Geography treasure hunt for our topic launch and drawing self-portraits in Art.





















**Year 5/6:** We have had a lovely week back at school! We have enjoyed all sorts of activities this week; we did a treasure hunt around school and we have also written some letters to people we haven't seen in a while.

# Clubs

We are keen to offer the children a selection of clubs but due to the current restrictions, we are unable to offer the same variety we usually do. However, we are going to offer the children class clubs, which will have a selection of activities on offer each week. Thank you to everyone who has returned the form that was sent out last week.

Class clubs will begin week commencing 21<sup>st</sup> September. Please note there will be no clubs week commencing the 19<sup>th</sup> October due to Parents Evening.

### Tess and Jess - Little Princess Trust

All the girls in the Savage household had their hair cut in the summer holidays for the Little Princess trust. Between the four of them they had 58 inches of hair cut off and they have raised £1030 for CLICSargent, they are so proud of themselves and we are too! Well done, girls!

### Makaton sign of the week

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 Drama

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



### Rewards - start this week

Our class ribbons and school values award start this week and I shall publish this information in next week's newsletter.

### Keep in touch - School Facebook Page

Please ensure you are signed up to the school Facebook page so that we can get in touch with families quickly. Thank you.





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# **Homework**

Homework will commence this week. Please refer to the table below regarding homework for each class.

Class	Homework	Homework Given	Collected and Tested	
EYFS: FS2 Reception	<ul> <li>Reading</li> <li>Sight words to learn when appropriate</li> <li>Mental Maths when appropriate</li> </ul>	Miss Hunt will send information separately to parents.		
Year 1/2	<ul> <li>Daily reading</li> <li>Spellings</li> <li>Mental Maths</li> <li>Extended task –</li> </ul>	Friday – spellings and mental maths	Friday –spellings and mental maths  Wednesday	
	see below	Friday		
Year 3/4	<ul><li>Daily reading</li><li>Spellings</li><li>Mental Maths</li></ul>	Friday – Spellings and Mental Maths	Friday – Spellings and Mental Maths	
	<ul><li>One other piece</li><li>Extended task – see below</li></ul>	Friday	Wednesday	
Year 5/6	<ul><li>Daily Reading</li><li>Spellings</li><li>Mental Maths</li></ul>	Friday- spellings and mental maths	Friday- spellings and mental maths	
	<ul> <li>Maths and reading comprehension</li> <li>Extended Task – see below</li> </ul>	Friday	Wednesday	

### **EXTENDED TASKS**

Extended tasks are set every half-term, not weekly. These tasks are designed to incorporate many skills and aim for high quality pieces of work throughout the year. The class teacher will always ensure the hand in time for the extended task is made clear.

#### Year 6

In addition to the homework above, Year 6 children will also have a piece of grammar / spelling homework. Hand-in dates will be made clear by Miss Newton.























### Reading

All children need to read at home every day. Please listen to your child read and ask them questions about the text and / or pictures. Please ensure that you record what your child has read and how they have managed with their reading in their record book. Reading and record books need to be in school every day so that they can be checked and new books issued.

# **Class Reward System**

Our reward system in school is that each class has a jar that will be filled with marbles in Year 1-6 and bugs in a jug in EYFS. Children can be awarded bugs or marbles for following the School's Expectations, working hard and showing good manners. When the jar is full the class can then decide with their teacher which reward they would like.

#### **Bikes & Scooters**

Children are welcome to ride these to school in a safe, considerate manner wearing a helmet. Once they arrive at the school gate, we ask that they dismount at the first gate and then park them in the cycle/scooter rack provided. *They are not to ride them in the school drive or playground at any time for safety reasons – thank you.* 

### Collecting children at home time

If you have arranged for another person to collect your child / children from school, then please ensure you have communicated this to the class teacher and / or the office staff otherwise we won't let them leave school!

#### PE

Please ensure that your child has their PE kit in school every day. The kit is a plain white t-shirt, navy / black shorts and trainers. As the weather turns colder, a plain navy or black tracksuit can be worn and I would also recommend a lightweight waterproof jacket. PE can take place in most weathers outside if children have the correct clothing!

FS2 (Reception) – please have PE kit every day

Year 1 /2 – Monday and Thursday

**Year 3 / 4** – Tuesday and Thursday

Year 5 / 6 - Tuesday and Thursday

#### **School Dinners**

The price for dinner is £2.75 per meal (£13.75 per week). The cost for the month of September is £46.75. Please ensure your Parent Pay account is up to date. It is possible to put credit onto the account to help with budgeting for the 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.























#### **Music Service – Instrumental Information**

There are leaflets available in school providing information about instrumental and vocal tuition and how to apply for lessons.

Parents can also go direct to the North Yorkshire Music Hub website to find out about the lessons that can be provided and use the online form to apply for lessons.

### www.northyorkshiremusichub.co.uk

The website includes details of the tuition fees and information about benefits which will qualify for remissions.

# **Playtime Snack**

Children in Reception, Year 1 and 2 receive a free fruit snack every day which is Government funded. Children in Year 3-6 can bring a piece of fruit in from home to keep in the classroom for playtime. I strongly recommend that you send fruit in for children in Year 3-6 as they have a long morning and often need a snack. Please can this be put in their book bag and not their packed lunch box as it is easier for them to access at break time – thank you.

# Advance notice - no after school Dandelions on 13th January 2021

There will be no after school Dandelions childcare on Wednesday 13<sup>th</sup> January 2021 due to staff training.

Kind regards, Mrs Julie Lyon Head Teacher























# **Diary Dates**

September				
October				
13/10/20	Individual Photograph Day			
w/c 19/10/20	Parent / child / teacher consultations			
23/10/20	Break-up for October half term			
November				
2/11/20	School open			
17/11/20	Flu Immunisation Programme – all primary age children			
December				
16/12/20	Christmas School Dinner			
17/12/20	Christmas Parties			
18/12/20	Break-up for Christmas 2.30pm			
January				
4/1/21	Training Day for staff			
5/1/21	School open for the spring term			
13/1/21	No after school Dandelions due to staff training			

# Mrs Lyon's working week:

Day	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Morning	Dishforth Airfield	Dishforth C of E Primary	Dishforth Airfield	Dishforth C of E Primary	Dishforth Airfield
Afternoon	Dishforth C of E Primary	Dishforth Airfield	Dishforth C of E Primary	Dishforth Airfield	Dishforth C of E Primary











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