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Dear Parents / Carers,

I hope you had a relaxing weekend and managed to stay warm in the frosty weather!

Office

There is no one covering the office this week in school. If there are any phone calls needed to be made to school, please can these be between 12pm-1pm if possible. Please bear in mind that ParentPay accounts are unlikely to be updated this week.

Class News:

EYFS: This week, Early Years have been exploring freezing and melting; writing their own adventure stories and learning about Arctic animals.

Year 1/2: This week we have been learning about the different animals that live in Antarctica. We have been researching the different animals and investigating their appearance, habitats and diets. We went on a mini-beast hunt in Science and we found lots of different animals hiding in dark and damp places including under the logs and in the long grass in the learning garden.

Year 3/4: In Year 3/4 this week we have been learning about measure in maths and have enjoyed practising our measuring skills with a ruler. In Science this week, we have explored light and reflection by setting up our own light target game using torches and mirrors - it was lots of fun!

Year 5/6: In year 5/6 this week we have been doing some writing linked to our class text 'The Explorer' by Katherine Rundell. The children have been writing the next chapter in the story to explain what might happen to the children who are lost in the Amazon rainforest! The children have done some wonderfully imaginative writing! We are looking forward to reading the next chapter to see what the author has written.



Covid Testing in Primary Schools for school staff

Covid testing for primary school staff begins this week as part of a national testing programme. Staff will be tested twice a week on a morning using the lateral flow test. Please be mindful that if there is a positive case, then bubbles of children in school would need to isolate if they have been a contact. If this does occur, there would be very little notice given to families.

Remote Learning

As a staff, we are all developing our skills in using technology to support remote learning, however, it is important to point out that remote learning is not the same as digital education and a range of delivery methods will continue to be used throughout this period of time.

For your information, I have copied a link below to a short guide which draws on findings about remote learning which you may find useful:

<https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/whats-working-well-in-remote-education/whats-working-well-in-remote-education>

Healthy Minds website

Please find a link to the Go To website newsletter which provides some useful information about the 'healthy minds' website for North Yorkshire for young people, professionals and parents/carers

As part of the development of the website they have developed 3 short 'walkthrough' videos to help you have a greater understanding of the website and how to navigate more easily through The Go-To website. Each video guides you through a different sections of the website. You can take a look at the videos [here](#).

There are short videos about:

- The home page
- The young peoples' pages (this would be good to share / promote with secondary aged young people)
- The parents / professionals page (this may be good to signpost both staff and parents/carers to watch to increase their understanding of what the website can offer)

Welcome to The Go-To Newsletter

Click [here](#) to view the January edition of the newsletter.



The Go-To

For healthy minds in North Yorkshire

The Go-To website is the home of wellbeing and mental health for young people in North Yorkshire.

We're here to signpost young people, parents, carers and professionals to the right help and support.

Visit www.thegoto.org.uk

School Dinners January

The price for dinner is £2.75 per meal (£13.75 per week). The cost for the month of January is £55. 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.

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.

AWARDS

Celebration Assembly

On Friday, we have our Celebration Assembly. On Friday 22nd January the following children were given our weekly awards;



Ribbons



EYFS – The ribbon this week goes to someone who always works hard. Her letter and number formation are brilliant for her age and she has a fantastic imagination. They are a pleasure to have in class and make us all smile. Well done, Georgina!

Year 1 / 2 – This week the ribbon goes to someone who is working really hard on their learning - especially their handwriting. They have a super attitude to everything they do and are a lovely friend and member of our class. Well done to Florence!

Year 3 / 4 – This week, the ribbon goes to someone who has written an absolutely fantastic diary entry in our literacy lessons. I was so impressed with the quality of this persons writing at home! Congratulations and well done to Maddy C!

Year 5 / 6 – The ribbon this week goes to someone who has worked incredibly hard this week at home. I have been impressed with the work that has been sent and their independence with their own learning is really starting to grow! Keep up the hard work! Well done to Michael!

Kind regards,

Mrs Julie Lyon, Head Teacher

Diary Dates

January	
February	
12/2/21	Break-up half term

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

