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Newsletter 25 Monday 22nd March 2021

Dear Parents / Carers,

The term has absolutely flown by and we are all looking forward to a rest over Easter. Fingers crossed for some lovely warm spring weather. Just a couple of reminders: children need to bring two hard boiled eggs into school on Friday and we finish at the slightly earlier time of 2.20pm for children in Y3-6 and 2.30pm for children in EYFS and Year 1/2.

COVID over Easter

Throughout the first six days of the Easter break, I will need to be informed if a child has attended school this week and then goes onto develop COVID. A dedicated email has been set up for this if it does occur – please see below. No other email address will be monitored throughout the week and please only use this email if your child tests positive for COVID. If your child has been attending school and develops COVID symptoms over the weekend of the 27th and 28th March which then leads to a positive COVID test result, then you must inform school on this dedicated email:

COVID19@dishforth.n-yorks.sch.uk

Please include the following information:

- Name of child and class they are in
- Date symptoms began
- Evidence of the positive result



Class News:

EYFS: This week Early Years have been thinking about new life while they have planted seeds and talked about creatures that lay eggs. They have learned about the meaning of Easter and made some fantastic collage birds.

Year 1/2: This week Year 1/2, we have continued looking at the art work by LS Lowry and have explored using charcoal and pastels to draw his matchstick figures. We have also been thinking more about Shackleton's expedition to the Antarctic and how he managed to save his whole crew despite his ship sinking!

Year 3/4: This week in Year 3/4 in RE we have been working hard to learn about Holy week including the different days and the events that happened during them. We have enjoyed finding out about how people may celebrate and remember these events today during the lead up to Easter.

Year 5/6: We have been writing explanation texts in English this week. We each chose a 'Cracking Contraption' created by Wallace and Grommit and the children have produced a wonderful piece of writing to explain how it works. If you would like to know how the Snoozatron works, we can let you know!

Parents Evening

Parents Evening takes place this week. Class teachers have sent times to parents and appointments are for 10 minutes.

Bronze Age workshop – Year 3 and 4

Year 3/4 have had a fantastic day with Rob who has run a stone and bronze age workshop for us. We have enjoyed learning about life in both the Stone Age and the Bronze age. We have learnt about how fires were made using natural materials and even had a go at lighting fires ourselves! We have also made some bronze age bread using a fire to cook it and we are looking forward to tasting it this afternoon! Later today we will be having a go at making our own shelters using natural materials and will explore some stone and bronze age tools. It has been great to bring all of our History learning to life!



Easter – break-up Friday 26th March

School closes at the following staggered times for the Easter break on Friday 26th March:

Year 3/4/5/6 at 2.20pm

EYFS and Year 1 and 2 at 2.30pm

Siblings can be collected at the earlier time.



Hard-boiled eggs – Friday 26th March

On Friday 26th March we would like all the children in school to bring in a hard-boiled egg to decorate (I recommend they each bring in two eggs to allow for breakages!) – there will be prizes on the day for the best decorated eggs!

Staffing Update

At the end of term we say goodbye to Mrs Haynes in Year 1/2 as she is moving abroad with her husband and daughter. Mrs Kestell will increase her teaching time in class and Mrs O'Connell will teach Year 1/2 each Thursday.

Dandelions – Breakfast Club

Mrs Qica is leaving Breakfast Club at the end of term and Mrs Taylor will replace her.

School Uniform

A polite reminder that children need to wear school shoes as part of their uniform. In summer, girls can wear checked dresses – either blue or red. Again, school shoes are part of the summer uniform as opposed to sandals or flip flops. Children still need practical footwear for school that protects their feet and allows them to move about.

PE Kit

Please ensure your child has a PE kit with them **every day** – white t-shirt, black / navy shorts and trainers. A plain, dark tracksuit is also acceptable and children can also bring a cap in for the sunny days. PE days are scheduled as follows:

EYFS – Wednesday and Friday

Year 1 / 2 – Tuesday and Thursday

Year 3 / 4 – Tuesday and Friday

Year 5 / 6 – this week Thursday and Friday

School Dinners **March**

The price for dinner is £2.75 per meal (£13.75 per week). The cost for the month of March is **£55.00**. 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!

Promotional School Dinners



Easter Lunch – Wednesday 24th March



Roast Chicken with Yorkshire Pudding
Stuffing
Roast Potatoes, Carrots and Peas
Gravy

Easter Biscuit

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.

Sun Cream

Please can I ask parents to ensure the children have sun cream applied to them before they come to school in the morning when the forecast is due to be sunny and also please do send into school a bottle of sun cream labelled with your child's name on it so that they can apply it when necessary over the summer months – thank you.

AWARDS

Celebration Assembly

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

Celebration Cup

The cup this week goes to someone who has worked so incredibly hard over the last half term. I have been so impressed with the resilience and enthusiasm this person has demonstrated in all of their learning tasks and the pride that they have taken in their work. This week, this person has continued to impress me. They have shown compassion and great teamwork skills, particularly when completing our Science investigations. This person has been such a kind friend and we are very lucky to have them in our class.

Congratulations to Jessica!



Ribbons



EYFS – The ribbon this week goes to someone who has been working really hard at their writing and always tries their best. They help to make sure people are making good choices and have gained so much confidence this year they have impressed us all. Well done to Daniel!

Year 1 / 2 – This week, the ribbon goes to someone who showed great perseverance and resilience, trying again and again to get her artwork as she wanted it and each time showing improvement. Well done to Alyssa!

Year 3 / 4 – This week the ribbon goes to someone who has shown excellent enthusiasm in their learning. This person has tackled new challenges during the week with a smile on their face and a determined attitude. Well done to Phebie!

Year 5 / 6 – This week the ribbon goes to someone who has impressed us with their tennis skills over the past few weeks. This person has developed their ball skills and is able to have a short rally with increasing control. Well done to Rayz!

On behalf of all the staff, may we wish you all a very Happy Easter!

We will look forward to seeing you all on Tuesday 13th April.

Kind regards,

Mrs Julie Lyon, Head Teacher



Diary Dates

March	
w/c 22/3/21	Parents Evening week
22/3/21	Year 3 and 4 Bronze Age workshop
24/3/21	Easter School Dinner
26/3/21	Break-up Easter holidays: Year 3/4/5/6 at 2.20pm EYFS and Year 1 and 2 at 2.30pm
April	
12/4/21	Training Day
13/4/21	School open for the summer term
May	
3/5/21	May Bank Holiday Monday – school closed
20/5/21	Skip 2 Be Fit Day
28/5/21	Break-up May half-term
June	
7/6/21	School open
25/6/21	Training Day – school closed
July	
19/7/21	School Reports home
22/7/21	Leavers' Assembly
23/7/21	School closes for summer holidays at 2.30pm
September	
6/9/21	Training Day
7/9/21	School open for the autumn 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

