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Newsletter 2 Monday 13th September 2021

Dear Parents / Carers,

We have had super first week back in school together settling into routines. I hope you all had a good weekend? What an inspiring win at the US Tennis Open by Emma Raducanu – a super way to show the children how hard work, dedication and perseverance can bring joy and triumph.

Class News:

Every week the classes will share the highlights of what they have been learning about with our families:

EYFS – This week EYFS have done a fantastic job at settling back into our school routine. We have been so impressed with all of the smiling faces that we have seen and the children's positive attitude to their learning. In class we have been working really hard on creating wonderful self-portraits. We have looked carefully at our faces and have looked at the work of other artists to help inspire us. We have learnt how to use paint and paintbrushes independently. We can't wait to show you our finished pieces when they go on display in the main school!

Year 1 and 2 – This week the children in Year 1/2 have listened to the story "Only One You" exploring what makes each of us unique and special. We have explored what we are good at and things we need to improve. We have thought about our behaviours in class and how we can show the school values in everything we do in school. The children worked with Sporting Start and have been learning football skills which we have been practicing in our learning garden. We are so impressed with how the children have settled in this week. Well done!

Year 3 and 4 – Year 3/4 have had a fantastic week back with lots of new 'firsts'! We have enjoyed getting to know one and other in our class and lots of new friendships are blossoming. We really enjoyed taking part in our first forest schools' session where we had lots of fun digging holes and mixing mud with water so that we could make our own fingerprints and handprints to sign our new forest school rules! We have also had our first keyboard music lesson and we are really looking forward to learning to play a new instrument this year!



Year 5 and 6 – We have had a wonderful week back at school in year 5/6! We have welcomed some new faces and everyone has settled back into class really well. We have spent the week getting to know each other by writing letters, playing games and doing some orienteering around school. We also started our class text 'The Curse of the Maya' and we can't wait to find out what happens!

Welcome

A very warm welcome to Kemar who has joined us today in Reception.

Early Reading and Phonics Session for Reception Parents – Monday 20th September

On Monday 20th September at 2.30pm, Mrs Luke is holding an information session for parents on Early Reading and Phonics. This is aimed at parents of children in Reception and will be held in the school hall.

Parents Evening

Parents Evening will be week commencing the 18th October – further details will follow in due course.

Celebration Assembly

Every Friday the school gathers together for a Celebration Assembly. This is an opportunity for the children to share something which they have worked on during the week. We also have birthday celebrations, award a ribbon to one child in each class for hard work and hand out a cup to a pupil who has impressed the staff at the school either for their work, attitude or behaviour. The cup is to be returned the following Thursday for the next assembly and the ribbons can be kept. I will publish who has been awarded the cup and ribbon in each newsletter. In addition to this, we have a Values Award to present this year. The Values Award is for the children to nominate who will receive it as the children write nominations to show which school value they have seen in action during the week from their peers: commitment, compassion, co-operation, responsibility, resilience or respect. Our first Celebration Assembly will take place this Friday.

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!

Online safety newsletter – A Guide to Parent Controls

Attached to this newsletter is a Guide for Parent Controls for your information to help keep your child / children safe online.



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.

Forest Schools

I am delighted to announce that all the children in school will be undertaking Forest Schools at some point through the academic year. Forest School is an inspiring process which is a specialised approach that aims to develop confidence and self-esteem through hands-on learning outside.

Children in Year 3 and 4 are going to be undertaking Forest Schools this half term on a Thursday. Please can children bring into school a waterproof coat, tracksuit bottoms and trainers / wellies – something that you don't mind getting wet and dirty!!

Key Stage 2 trip to Carlton Lodge

On Friday 24th September Key Stage 2 children are visiting Carlton Lodge for a day of outdoor and adventurous activities. This is fully funded by school. Children need to arrive at school by 8.30am on this day and they will be back at school at 5.10pm. All children need to bring a complete spare set of clothes in a named bag in case they get wet!

Advance notice – no after school Dandelions on 10th November 2021

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

Promotional School Dinners

National Poetry Day – Thursday 7th October

Margherita Pizza
Potato Smiles, Peas and Baked Beans

Upside Down Apple Slice and Ice-cream

*Join us for a yummy meal that is sure to make you smile,
Plus with all that energy; you'll be able to run a mile!*

Bonfire Night – Friday 5th November

Sloppy Joe Style Sausages in a Bun
Or

Bonfire Bean & Cheese Pie
With Crusty Bread

Potato Wedges
Sweetcorn and Peas

Chocolate & Vanilla Swirls
With an Apple Wedge



Child Flu Immunisation

Flu immunisation from 9am on the 17th November – further details on how to register your child for this will follow in due course.

Fundraising Opportunity – Morrisons 'It's Good to Grow'

There is an opportunity through Morrisons to collect 'Grow Tokens' for every £10 spent in store which would enable school to purchase gardening equipment. If you are shopping in store, please think of us!!

<https://my.morrisons.com/blog/community/good-to-grow/>



[It's Good to Grow - Morrisons Blog](#)

Collect FREE gardening equipment for your school. For every £10 you spend (in store or online) at Morrisons, you'll get a Grow Token to help your school get everything they need to get growing. Download the MyMorrisons app today to start collecting Grow Tokens and choose the school you'd like to donate them to.

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Kind regards,

Mrs Julie Lyon
Head Teacher



Diary Dates

September	
20/9/21	Phonics and Early Reading Parent session 2.30pm
24/9/21	Key Stage 2 trip to Carlton Lodge
October	
7/10/21	Promotional School Dinner – National Poetry Day
12/10/21	Individual School Photographs
w/b 18/10/21	Parent / Teacher / Child consultations
22/10/21	Harvest Festival – time TBC (morning)
	Break-up Half Term 3.15pm
November	
1/11/21	School open
5/11/21	Promotional School Dinner – Bonfire Night
10/11/21	No Dandelions after school childcare club due to staff training
w/c 15/11/21	Anti-bullying week
17/11/21	FLU IMMUNISATION – further details to follow
19/11/21	Children in Need Day
December	
15/12/21	Christmas School Dinner
16/12/21	Christmas Parties
17/12/21	School closes for Christmas at 2.30pm

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

