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Newsletter 8 Monday 1st November 2021

Dear Parents / Carers,

A very warm welcome back after the half term break. Attached to this newsletter is a letter for parents and carers from the Local Authority and the Director of Public Health for North Yorkshire which was sent to all primary and secondary schools and settings on Friday in half term. I am sending it to you for your information and also to request that if your child / children display any Covid-like symptoms, please arrange for a PCR test to be carried out as there are a small number of confirmed positive cases over the half term break within the school community:

The 3 main symptoms of COVID-19 remain a fever (temperature 37.8OC or higher), a new continuous cough, or a change to/loss of taste or smell. However, other commonly reported symptoms of the Delta variant include headache, sore throat, tiredness, and cold-like symptoms, so please be aware of these as well and stay at home and seek testing if you are in any doubt.

As a school, we continue to use the preventative measures and we may need to review and revise planned events if positive cases continue over the coming weeks.

Welcome

A very warm welcome to Shanaya who is joining our school family this week.

Class News:

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

EYFS – This week in EYFS we have been learning all about the harvest. We have looked at how farmers grow and collect their crops and have also had a lot of fun using pears and apples to print with in our art lessons! We have continued to look out for the sights of autumn and have been busy learning our songs for the Harvest Festival.



Year 1 and 2 – This week the children have been retelling the story of The Bear and the Piano - we have been developing our acting skills and trying hard to project our voices. In Maths we have been working hard solving addition and subtraction problems - using a variety of apparatus to help us! We have also been learning about the symbols linked to Christianity and why they are important.

Year 3 and 4 – This week, year 3/4 have enjoyed their final forest school session of the half term where they used their orienteering skills. We had lots of fun exploring the school grounds whilst we did this! We have also enjoyed researching the Egyptian Goddess of Cats and have written some wonderful reports about her!

Year 5 and 6 – This week we prepared, made and ate a three-course meal as part of our DT topic. We designed a meal and researched the recipes. On Tuesday, we followed the recipes and produced nachos, fajitas and chocolate krispies cakes. We learnt some valuable skills and got to try our creations! It was delicious!

Promotional School Dinners

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

Ashes Cricket Meal – Wednesday 1st December

Chicken and Vegetable Pie
Or

Macaroni Cheese
With

Creamy mashed potato and a medley of vegetables

Fruit Flapjack



Clubs

Class clubs resume this week and finish on Friday 26th November.

There will be no mindfulness club or drama club on **Wednesday 10th November** due to staff training.

Poppy Appeal



We are selling items for the Poppy Appeal again this year. Last year the school was very successful and gave one of the highest donations in the local area.

Alongside the traditional poppy there are snap band rulers, reflectors, zip pulls and wristbands. Suggested donations are 50p for a zip pull, 50p for a reflector, £1 for a wristband and £1.50 for a snap band.

Please come to the school office before or after school if you would like to donate to the Poppy Appeal.

Poppy Run

Maddy in year 4 is taking part in the Poppy Run again this year to raise money for the Royal British Legion. This year she will be completing 12.5km. If you would like to sponsor Maddy please follow the link below:

<https://mypoppyrun.britishlegion.org.uk/fundraising/MyPoppyRun2021-MaddisonCane>

Forest Schools – Year 5 and 6 children

From today, Year 5 and 6 children will be taking part in Forest Schools every Monday morning. Forest School is an inspiring process which is a specialised approach that aims to develop confidence and self-esteem through hands-on learning outside.

Please can children bring into school a waterproof coat, tracksuit bottoms and trainers / wellies – something that you don't mind getting wet and dirty!!



Billy Bob Buttons – author visit 10th November

The award-winning, bestselling children's author, Billy Bob Buttons, will be visiting this school on the AFTERNOON of Wednesday 10th November.

He is the author of sixteen very popular children's books including Felicity Brady and the Wizard's Bookshop, the bestselling Muffin Monster, Tiffany Sparrow Spook Slayer, The Cool Kids Book Prize winner, WIDE AWAKE, and the UK People's Book Prize winner and bestseller, I think I Murdered Miss. Last year, this book sold over 40,000 in the UK alone and won the 2014 UK People's Book Prize.

Every year, he meets with approx. 50,000 primary school children to deliver his popular literacy workshops. Throughout the afternoon, he will be delivering the workshops to KS1 and KS2 children focusing on Planning a Story, Adventure Writing and Characters.

There will also be an opportunity for your child to meet Mr. Buttons and buy a signed and dedicated book. Attached to this letter is a price list plus lots of information on the different books they can pick from. If you wish your child to buy a signed book, simply put the money (the author will have change with him) in an envelope (with your child's name and class written on the front) and hand it to the school office / class teacher as soon as possible.

Mr. Buttons will be doing the book signing at the end of the school day, so if parents wish to meet him and help their child pick a book, they can do so then.

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

There will be no after school Dandelions childcare on Wednesday 10th November 2021 due to staff training.

Online Safety Newsletter – November

Attached to this newsletter is the November edition of the online safety newsletter. This contains advice, guidance and information for families in keeping children safe online.

School Dinners November

The price for dinner is £2.75 per meal (£13.75 per week). The cost for the month of November is £60.50. 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!

Children in Need – Friday 19th November



We will be supporting Children in Need day on Friday 19th November, so if you 'spot' any of the fundraising items on sale and want to buy in advance please feel free to do so. Children will get a chance to wear/use them on the day in school as we are holding a non-uniform day and ask that children bring in £1 donation.



Applying for a School Place for September 2022 – Moving from Nursery to Reception

If your child was born between 1 September 2017 and 31 August 2018 they are due to start school in 2021-22. The primary school application round is now open and **the deadline to apply is 15th January 2022.**

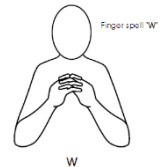
Makaton sign of the week

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 the letter W.

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

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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 is an all-round super star! This person is a wonderful friend and always shows kindness and compassion. They have a wonderful sense of humour and they are a pleasure to have in our class.

This person works incredibly hard in all subjects and always shows resilience and determination.

Keep up the great work!

Congratulations and well done to ...

Eliora!



Ribbons



EYFS - The ribbon in EYFS this week goes to someone who has been working very hard to become an excellent mathematician. He has a great attitude to his learning and always tries his hardest. Well done to Jayden!

Year 1 / 2 – The ribbon this week goes to someone is a fantastic role model in our class. They are always prepared to give new challenges a try. You are a super star in everything you do. Keep up the great work. Well done Immanuel!

Year 3 / 4 – This week the ribbon goes to someone who has really impressed me with their writing. They have listened to feedback from adults and they have worked so hard to include extra detail in their sentences. Keep up the excellent work, Eliza!

Year 5 / 6 – The ribbon this week goes to someone who really impressed us with their skills in our cooking session. This person listened carefully to instructions, worked well as a team and was extremely helpful throughout the morning. Well done to Alyssa!

Values in Action

This week our Values Award goes to someone who has demonstrated the school values of responsibility, resilience and respect. They are always kind and help me around school.



The Values Award goes to Madie B.

Madie B was nominated by Kelsey P.

Well done, Madie!

Attendance

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

Week Commencing 18th October 2021

Reception	Year 1/2	Year 3/4	Year 5/6
%	%	%	%

Kind regards,

Mrs Julie Lyon
Head Teacher



Diary Dates

November	
1/11/21	School open
5/11/21	Promotional School Dinner – Bonfire Night
10/11/21	Billy Bob Buttons author visit for KS1 and KS2
10/11/21	No Dandelions after school childcare club due to staff training
12/11/21	Dodgeball Competition for a squad of Y3 / 4 children 2.30pm-4.30pm
w/c 15/11/21	Anti-bullying week
17/11/21	FLU IMMUNISATION
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

