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## Newsletter 10 Monday 15<sup>th</sup> November 2021

Dear Parents / Carers,

We will be supporting Children in Need day this Friday through holding a non-uniform day for a £1 donation. If children would like to wear any of the fundraising items that have been on sale, then they are welcome to do so.

Please take note of the diary dates at the end of the newsletter as I have added various dates to do with activities for Christmas. I must emphasise that the format of these activities / performances may change at very short notice due to any revised guidance nearer the time.

Can I also politely remind families not to block the road near school when dropping off and collecting children. Residents need to be able to access their homes and drive ways as do local services such as recycling wagons. The completion of building works is due on Friday 3<sup>rd</sup> December.

### Class News:

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

**EYFS** – In EYFS this week we have been learning about fireworks. We have created a wonderful fireworks poem and have made lots of beautiful fireworks pictures. In Nursery the children have been listening carefully to the sounds that different fireworks make and have been using instruments to recreate them.

**Year 1 and 2** – This week the children in Year 1/2 have been learning all about Remembrance and why it is so important. We have taught the children how to wear their poppy - on the left side (over the heart) with the leaf pointing to 11 o'clock to remember the significance of the 11 in the date and time. We have created poppies and written on the leaf as a way of showing our appreciation. We have also been learning about money and begun some column addition in Maths!



**Year 3 and 4** – This week we enjoyed a visit from author Billy Bob Buttons and we have enjoyed reading extracts from some of his books. In Science we have enjoyed a mini 'dig' where we discovered lots of bones which we used to build a human skeleton. We have learnt lots of scientific names for bones in the human body!

**Year 5 and 6** – This week in year 5/6 we have been writing newspaper reports on the discovery of a Maya temple and we've linked it to our class story 'The Curse of the Maya'. We have interviewed different eyewitnesses and used report and direct speech in our writing. We thought about catchy headlines and used pictures with captions to give more detail.

### Anti-Bullying Week – this week

The Anti-Bullying Alliance asked more than 400 young people, parents, and teachers what they wanted from this year's Anti-Bullying Week. The answer was clear – they wanted it to be about hope and the positive and kind things we can do to combat bullying and spread more kindness.

Kindness is more important today than it has ever been. The isolation of the last year has underlined how little acts of consideration can break down barriers and brighten the lives of the people around us. This is one of the reasons that **'One Kind Word'** has been chosen as the theme of Anti-Bullying Week taking place this week and the children will undertake a variety of learning activities around this theme.

### Billy Bob Buttons – author visit 10<sup>th</sup> November

We had the pleasure of welcoming Billy Bob Buttons into school this week. The children from years 1-6 took part in a workshop with him and got to explore some of his books and discuss how to create weird and wonderful characters using different techniques. The children got the chance to ask Billy Bob Buttons some questions and then purchase some of his books which he also signed for them.



## Year 1 and 2 Trip to Ripon Workhouse

Year 1 and 2 spent last Friday at the Workhouse Museum in Ripon as part of our history topic. We were met by a very stern matron who kept us on our toes, checking up on our work and our behaviour as we found out about life in the 1900s.

We learnt a little bit about the Workhouse and the people who lived there. Matron then gave us lots of jobs to do to keep us busy. We baked bread, had a go at washing using a dolly and a dolly tub as well as having to do lots of chores including polishing the brass, cleaning boots and sweeping the floors. We even learnt how to use vinegar and newspaper to clean the windows. We were all exhausted at the end of it but the children had lots of fun!



## Poppy Run

Maddy in year 4 completed the Poppy Run again this year and has raised an amazing £620 for the Royal British Legion. Well done Maddy!





## 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.

## Promotional School Dinners

### **Ashes Cricket Meal – Wednesday 1<sup>st</sup> December**

Chicken and Vegetable Pie  
Or  
Macaroni Cheese  
With  
Creamy mashed potato and a medley of vegetables  
  
Fruit Flapjack



### **Christmas School Dinner – Wednesday 15<sup>th</sup> December**

#### **School Dinner Special Events: Christmas Lunch – order in advance**

We will be having Christmas lunch on Wednesday 15<sup>th</sup> December and this meal will need to be ordered in advance. A letter was sent home last week which must be returned **for all children by Wednesday 24<sup>th</sup> November.**

### **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 15<sup>th</sup> 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 Y.

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

Yy



## Advance Notice – Wednesday 26<sup>th</sup> January

Due to the rearrangement of whole staff health and safety training, there will be no after school childcare club on Wednesday 26<sup>th</sup> January 2022. Apologies for any inconvenience this may cause, however due to the nature of the training it is important that every member of staff is up to date in this area and I do not anticipate any further disruption to the After School Childcare Club in the academic year.

## 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 impresses us each and every day. Not only is this person a fantastic learner who always tries her best, she is also a kind and considerate friend. She works hard to be the best that she can be and this really shows in her high quality writing and maths work.



You are a pleasure to have in school.

Congratulations and well done to

Lily!



## Ribbons



**EYFS** – The ribbon this week goes to someone who has really impressed us with his maths skills. His confidence is growing all the time and it has been lovely to see him develop his understanding in all areas of learning. Well done Zachary!

**Year 1 / 2** – The ribbon this week goes to someone who has a super attitude to learning. They always have something to offer in class discussions and are an amazing member of our class. Well done to Thor!

**Year 3 / 4** – This week the ribbon goes to someone who has really impressed us with their fantastic learning attitude. This person has worked so hard in maths this week and it has been great to see their confidence grow with column subtraction. Well done to Evie!

**Year 5 / 6** – The ribbon this week goes to someone who has written an informative newspaper report on the discovery of a Maya temple. This person has used direct and reported speech to add further detail and the correct punctuation in their writing. Be proud of your writing. Well done to Hollie-Mae!

## Values in Action

This week our Values award goes to someone who has demonstrated the school values of co-operation, responsibility and respect. They show respect and kind manners at break time.



The Values Award goes to Audrey

Audrey was nominated by Michael

## Attendance

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

Week Commencing 8<sup>th</sup> November 2021

Reception	Year 1/2	Year 3/4	Year 5/6
91%	86%	91%	94%

Kind regards,

Mrs Julie Lyon  
Head Teacher



## Diary Dates

<b>November</b>	
w/c 15/11/21	Anti-bullying week
17/11/21	FLU IMMUNISATION
19/11/21	Children in Need Day
<b>December</b>	
8/12/21	EYFS Nativity 10am
9/12/21	Year 1 and 2 Nativity 2pm
10/12/21	Christmas Jumper Day – children may wear a Christmas Jumper or decorate a jumper for a £1 donation which will go to Save the Children
15/12/21	Christmas School Dinner
16/12/21	Christmas Parties – afternoon – details to follow
17/12/21	School closes for Christmas at 2.30pm
<b>January 2022</b>	
4/1/22	Staff Training Day
5/1/22	School open – Spring Term 2022
26/1/22	No afterschool childcare club – whole staff health and safety training
<b>February</b>	
w/c 14 <sup>th</sup> February	Parents Evening Tuesday 15 <sup>th</sup> February and Thursday 17 <sup>th</sup> February
18/2/22	Break-up for February 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

