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## Newsletter 19 Monday 31<sup>st</sup> January 2022

Dear Parents / Carers,

I hope you have all had a lovely weekend albeit a blustery one! We celebrate Chinese New Year this week in school with a special promotional meal on Thursday.

Once again, I would also like to thank you for your continued support with testing as we continue to have confirmed cases in school.

### Welcome

A very warm welcome back to Dishforth Airfield for Romika who has joined us in Year 6!

### Class News:

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

**EYFS** – This week we have been finding out about lots of different types of pets. We have enjoyed using the vet surgery role play area to look after all the poorly animals and have been writing our own prescriptions. We have also had a 'Great Pet Sale' like the one in the book we read and have used 1p coins to buy pets from the shop.

**Year 1 and 2** – This week in Year 1/2 we have continued to learn about multiplication and groups of objects and numbers. The children have been working hard at remembering to share out their objects into equal groups. We have also been learning about poetry and have used our class poem "There's a dragon in the classroom" as inspiration to become poets ourselves and write our own poems... we have had dragons in the bedroom, kitchen, park and even outer space! In Science this week we have been learning about floating and sinking and why different objects float and why some sink!



**Year 3 and 4** – This week we have been enjoying learning the Legend of Romulus and Remus. We have used drama to re-create this and we have been working hard to retell the story in our writing lessons. We have also enjoyed carrying out a number of science investigations on different rocks to find out if they are sedimentary, igneous or metamorphic.

**Year 5 and 6** – This week in year 5/6 we have been exploring the world of Ancient Greek myths and legends. We have spent time reading a variety of stories and then we have designed our own mythical creatures to write a story about. The children have created some amazing creatures with supernatural and magical powers. We can't wait to read them!

## Reading

Advance notice that we are celebrating World Book Day after February half term on **Thursday 3<sup>rd</sup> March** – children are welcome to come to school dressed up as a character from a book.

## Harry Potter event

On Friday between 6.30-8.00pm, Thirsk Library are holding an event for 7-11 year olds celebrating 25 years since Harry Potter and the Philosopher's Stone was first published – please see the attached invitation for further details!

## Children's Mental Health Week – 7-13 February

This year Children's Mental Health Week by Place2Be is celebrating with the theme of Growing Together. The theme is about encouraging children (and adults) to consider how they have grown, and how they can help others to grow.

**Growing Together** is about growing emotionally and finding ways to help each other grow. Challenges and setbacks can help us to grow and adapt and trying new things can help us to move beyond our comfort zone into a new realm of possibility and potential. However, emotional growth is often a gradual process that happens over time, and sometimes we might feel a bit 'stuck'. The Children's Mental Health Week website have a wealth of resources for families and schools -to access the resources please click on the link below.

<https://www.childrensmentalhealthweek.org.uk/parents-and-carers/>

## Safer Internet Day – Tuesday 8<sup>th</sup> February

Safer Internet Day 2022 will be celebrated on 8th February with the theme 'All fun and games? Exploring respect and relationships online'.

From gaming and chat, to streaming and video, young people are shaping the interactive entertainment spaces they are a part of. Safer Internet Day 2022 celebrates young people's role in creating a safer internet, whether that is whilst gaming and creating content, or interacting with their friends and peers.



The children will be exploring this further during the week through their learning and further resources, information and materials can be found on the following website:

<https://saferinternet.org.uk/safer-internet-day/safer-internet-day-2022>

### **Year 3 and 4 Trip to Murton Park**

On Monday 14<sup>th</sup> February Year 3 and 4 children are going to have a fantastic day out living like Romans at Murton Park! The children are setting off at 9am and returning at 4pm. Please can the children wear jogging bottoms, trainers/wellington boots, a warm top, a jumper/ hoodie and a waterproof coat- appropriate clothing for the weather (coats, hats, gloves, scarves – depending on the weather forecast). Please can your child bring a packed lunch in a disposable bag.

### **Year 6 Parent's SAT Meeting**

The year 6 parent's SAT meeting will be on Thursday 3<sup>rd</sup> February from 3.30pm till 4pm.

### **Parent / Teacher / Child Consultations**

A letter will be sent home this week for you to make a preferred day / time for this term's consultations.

The days to choose from are: Tuesday 15<sup>th</sup> February or Thursday 17<sup>th</sup> February between 3.30pm-6.00pm

Mrs Armstrong's appointments will be carried out via Zoom or telephone call.

### **School Dinners February**

The price for dinner is £2.75 per meal (£13.75 per week). The cost for the month of February is £41.25. Please ensure your Parent Pay account is up to date.

### **White Rose Maths – 1 minute-maths app – for information**

The writers of the maths scheme we use throughout school, White Rose Maths, have designed an app for use both in class and at home, called 1-Minute Maths. The app helps children build greater number confidence and fluency through targeted practice in engaging, one-minute chunks.

This first version of the app is aimed at Key Stage 1 pupils with individual one-minute tasks focusing on adding and subtracting – and on 'Subitising', the skill of instantly recognising the number of items in a group without counting. Multiplication and division are going to be added soon.

The app is free and is really useful for building number fluency and confidence and compliments the teaching strategies used in class – worth a look!



## Sport Wear for All Thirsk

Attached to this newsletter is information regarding an organisation called Sport Wear for All Thirsk. The aim of the organisation is to help ensure children can participate in sports by loaning and swapping sports boots and equipment. If you have any sports trainers or boots that your children have grown out of then there is a collection box at school if you would like to support this organisation. Please read the attached document for further information.

## Promotional Dinner – Chinese New Year – Thursday 3<sup>rd</sup> February

Sweet and Sour Chicken

Or

Sticky Garlic and Honey Pieces with  
Oriental Vegetables, Red Dragon Rice, Peas and Sweetcorn

Sachima (Rice Cakes)



## Promotional Dinner – Happy Valentine's Day – Monday 14<sup>th</sup> February

Forever Yours Chicken Fajitas

Or

Be Mine Bean and Vegetable Burrito  
Whole Lotta' Love Potato Wedges, Crazy About You Carrots and Perfect Peas

Paris Shortbread Sandwich with City of Love Custard





## 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 a pleasure to teach! This person is hard-working, shows resilience and determination and always tries their best in everything they do!



This person is always kind and thoughtful and looks out for others.

We are so impressed with this person's attitude towards their learning!

Congratulations and well done to ...

Phebie!

### **Ribbons**



**EYFS** – The ribbon this week goes to someone who has really impressed us with their number recognition. They are working really hard in maths and demonstrating a keen interest in counting. They are also a very kind and considerate member of our class. Congratulations and well done to Enoch!

**Year 1 / 2** – This week the ribbon goes to someone who has impressed us with their focus and determination. They have fantastic ideas and are always keen to share them with the class. We love having you in our class. Well done, Oscar!

**Year 3 / 4** – The ribbon this week goes to someone who has really impressed me with their resilience and enthusiasm in writing this week. I have been so impressed with this person's independence - keep up the great work! Well done to Ada!

**Year 5 / 6** – The ribbon this week goes to someone who has really impressed us in our maths lessons by showing determination and perseverance. This person has been putting their hand up all week to contribute and answer questions and we have seen their confidence grow with our fraction's topic. Keep believing in yourself - you can do it! Well done to Rose!



## Values in Action

This week our Values award goes to someone who has demonstrated our school values of compassion, co-operation and responsibility by being a good friend in the playground.

The values award goes to Phebie who was nominated by Evie.



Well done, Phebie!

## Attendance

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

Week Commencing 24<sup>th</sup> January 2022

Reception	Year 1/2	Year 3/4	Year 5/6
96%	61%	82%	90%

Kind regards,

Mrs Julie Lyon  
Head Teacher



## Diary Dates

<b>February</b>	
<b>3/2/22</b>	Promotional Dinner – Chinese New Year
<b>3/2/22</b>	Year 6 Parents SAT meeting after school 3.30pm
<b>7-13 February</b>	Children’s Mental Health week ‘Growing Together’
<b>8/2/22</b>	Safer Internet Day
<b>14/2/22</b>	Year 3 and 4 trip to Murton Park Promotional Valentine’s Day Menu
<b>w/c 14<sup>th</sup> February</b>	Parents Evening Tuesday 15 <sup>th</sup> February and Thursday 17 <sup>th</sup> February
<b>17/2/22</b>	Music for Life afternoon - 6Pac Jazz
<b>18/2/22</b>	Break-up for February half-term
<b>28/2/22</b>	School open
<b>March 2022</b>	
<b>3/3/22</b>	World Book Day – dress up as a character from a book
<b>16/3/22</b>	Road Safety Talk with Lauren Doherty
<b>24/3/22</b>	Workshop PE
<b>April 2022</b>	
<b>8/4/22</b>	Break-up for Easter at 2.30pm
<b>25/4/22</b>	TRAINING DAY
<b>26/4/22</b>	School open for the summer term
<b>May 2022</b>	
<b>2/5/22</b>	May Day – school closed for the day
<b>9/5/22</b>	Year 6 SAT week
<b>27/5/22</b>	Break-up for May half term
<b>June 2022</b>	
<b>7/6/22</b>	EYFS Balance Bikes
<b>16/6/22</b>	Workshop - PE

## 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

