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Dear Parents / Carers,

Covid update

I am writing to update you that we have confirmed cases of Covid within our school staff and an increasing number of covid cases amongst the children in each class.

At this stage we are operating as normal and this is our priority. However, if cases continue to rise and we have a significant number of staff off, then school would not be in a position to operate fully and we would then need to put alternative measures in place.

In the event of significant numbers of staff off school, we may need to close class bubbles and remote learning would take place for these children. Classes in school may also need to be merged.

Children of critical workers and vulnerable children would still be able to come to school. If you are unsure if you fall in to this category, please click on the link below which gives you all the information you need.

<https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/coronavirus-covid-19-maintaining-educational-provision/guidance-for-schools-colleges-and-local-authorities-on-maintaining-educational-provision>

At this time these are back-up plans and I hope that they won't be needed, however, I feel it is prudent to share this with you in case you need to have alternative arrangements in place as information regarding staff cases is likely to be received early on a morning resulting in decisions needing to be made with very little time or warning to families. Notification would be via email.

I would like to thank you all again for your support and understanding through this challenging time and **please continue to test your child / children daily before school.**



Class News:

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

EYFS – This week in the EYFS we have been looking at the story of "The Three Little Pigs". We looked at the different materials the three little pigs used to build their houses and we talked about which material was the best and why. We then had a go at using the different construction equipment within the classroom to build our own houses. In our numeracy work we have been comparing the size of different objects using language such as shortest, tallest, biggest, smallest. We have also explored weight, using the bucket scale to compare the weight of two different objects to find which is the heaviest and which is the lightest.

Year 1 and 2 – This week the children have been continuing their learning about collage, The Great Fire of London and constructing with paper. They have also been making music with glockenspiels and have performed via Zoom for the whole school.

Year 3 and 4 – This week we have been learning all about different types of rocks in our Science lesson. We have also learnt about how metamorphic, igneous, and sedimentary rocks are formed and enjoyed recreating these formation processes by using chocolate!

Year 5 and 6 – This week in Science we have been researching the planets in our solar system. We have been finding out about the different features of each planet such as: the diameter, distance from the sun, the average temperature and how long it takes to rotate on its axis. We will be creating different types of graphs to present our data.

School Dinners January

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



Promotional Dinner – Chinese New Year – Thursday 3rd 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 14th 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

Advance Notice – Wednesday 26th January – this Wednesday

Due to the rearrangement of whole staff health and safety training, there will be no after school childcare club on Wednesday 26th 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 has impressed us all with their attitude towards their learning and always tries their best.

This person is a kind and considerate friend and has a lovely sense of humour and fun.

You are a pleasure to have in our class and school.

Congratulations and well done to ...

Ethan!



Ribbons



EYFS – The ribbon this week goes to someone who has demonstrated a good understanding of our story 'The Three Little Pigs'. They have been able to talk about the characters and describe what they are like. We have also been impressed with the sharing they have been doing in class too! Well done to

William!

Year 1 / 2 – This week the ribbon goes to someone who is a great role model in class. They always try their best and this week have challenged themselves in writing and maths demonstrating great resilience. They always have a smile and are always kind and helpful. Well done, Zofia!

Year 3 / 4 – This week the ribbon goes to someone who has worked tremendously hard on including a range of descriptive features such as similes and metaphors in their writing. They have written a wonderful setting description which creates a vivid picture in the readers mind. Well done to Madie B!

Year 5 / 6 – This week, the ribbon goes to someone who has impressed us in our music lessons. This person has been working hard to learn different notes and has taken on advice to improve their sound quality. This person is beginning to make a good sound whilst playing different tunes. Well done to Charlie!



Values in Action

This week our Values award goes to someone who has demonstrated our school values of resilience and respect by being a great friend to everyone. The values award goes to Alyssa M who was nominated by Felicity.



Well done, Alyssa!

Attendance

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

Week Commencing 17th January 2022

Reception	Year 1/2	Year 3/4	Year 5/6
86%	96%	88%	77%

Kind regards,

Mrs Julie Lyon
Head Teacher



Diary Dates

January 2022	
26/1/22	No afterschool childcare club – whole staff health and safety training
February	
3/2/22	Promotional Dinner – Chinese New Year
3/2/22	Year 6 Parents SAT meeting after school 3.30pm
7-13 February	Children's Mental Health week 'Growing Together'
8/2/22	Online Safety Day
14/2/22	Year 3 and 4 trip to Murton Park Promotional Dinner – Valentine's Day
w/c 14th February	Parents Evening Tuesday 15 th February and Thursday 17 th February
18/2/22	Break-up for February half-term
28/2/22	School open
March 2022	
3/3/22	World Book Day – dress up as a character from a book
24/3/22	Workshop PE
April 2022	
8/4/22	Break-up for Easter at 2.30pm
25/4/22	TRAINING DAY
26/4/22	School open for the summer term
May 2022	
2/5/22	May Day – school closed for the day
9/5/22	Year 6 SAT week
27/5/22	Break-up for May half term
June 2022	
7/6/22	EYFS Balance Bikes
16/6/22	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

