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Newsletter 15 Wednesday 5th January 2022

Dear Parents / Carers,

I hope you have all had a wonderful Christmas and happy start to the New Year.

Welcome

We warmly welcome Poppy, Myla and Reuben who started school with us in Nursery.

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 busy little elves preparing for Christmas. We have made beautiful snow-globe Christmas cards, holly wreath decorations, seasonal calendars and reindeer food. We hope everyone in EYFS has a very merry and restful Christmas break.

Year 1 and 2 – This week Year 1/2 have been very busy creating pop up Christmas cards, advent calendars and a tree decoration. We have also made melting snowmen biscuits and Christmas puddings. The children have enjoyed our Christmas activities. We wish everyone a wonderful Christmas and New Year.

Year 3 and 4 – This week we have really enjoyed creating our Christmas tree pom-pom decorations, our calendars for next year and cards for our family. We had a great Christmas party too!

Year 5 and 6 – This week we have been very busy making some Christmas crafts using some of our skills from our art topics. We have created our final piece of weaving and we have also sewn a Christmas bauble. The children have shown determination and resilience and have created some wonderful designs!



Updated Covid Guidance

Guidance has been updated over the Christmas period with regards to Covid – particularly around self-isolation and contacts:

Changes to the self-isolation period for those who test positive for Covid-19 has been reduced to 7 days provided there are two negative LFD tests on day 6 and day 7.

The updated guidance includes a link to the most up to date public health advice on self-isolation. The full self-isolation period is 10 days, however if an individual gets a negative LFD test result no earlier than day 6 of the self-isolation period and a further negative test 24 hours later (day 7) then the individual no longer needs to complete the full 10 days and may end their self-isolation after the second negative test provided they do not have a high temperature. This also applies to children under 5, “with LFD testing at parental or guardian discretion”.

Daily testing for close contacts for Covid-19

The public health advice also states that those close contacts who are fully vaccinated, or children and young people aged between 5 and 18 years and 6 months “*should take an LFD test every day for seven days and continue to attend their setting as normal, unless they have a positive test result or develop symptoms at any time*”.

The updated guidance can be found on this link:

https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/covid-19-stay-at-home-guidance/stay-at-home-guidance-for-households-with-possible-coronavirus-covid-19-infection?utm_source=2%20January%202022%20C19&utm_medium=Daily%20Email%20C19&utm_campaign=DfE%20C19

Swimming

Year 3 and 4 will start swimming on Wednesday 12th January at Thirsk. Please ensure that the children have their swimming kit in a named bag along with a towel. It would be helpful if socks were worn on a swimming day as opposed to tights and please can earrings be removed.

PE Spring Term

Year 1 and 2 – PE on Tuesday and Thursday

Year 3 and 4 – Wednesday swimming and PE on Tuesday

Year 5 and 6 – PE on Wednesday and Friday



Forest Schools Spring Term

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 5/6 are going to be undertaking Forest Schools this half term on a Monday. Please can children bring into school a waterproof coat, tracksuit bottoms and trainers / wellies – something that you don't mind getting wet and dirty!!

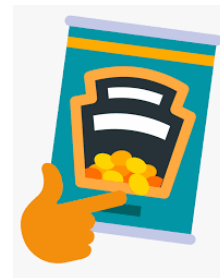
School Dinners January

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.

Promotional Dinner – Heinz Day – Thursday 20th January

Sausage and Beans Casserole with Delicious Dumplings
Or
Cheesy Beans Parcel with
Potato Wedges, Sweetcorn and Broccoli

Jam Sponge and Custard



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)



Emergency Procedure for School Closure – weather related / loss of utilities

It is rare, however there are occasions where it has been necessary to close schools because of inclement weather, no electricity or because of lack of heating, so I would like to bring to your attention the procedures I will follow if this event occurs now that we are heading towards winter:

- A notice will be posted on the school Facebook page
- An email will be sent to all families
- County Hall will be informed.

Hopefully, this will not happen this winter but I feel it is better to be prepared.

Please always assume school is open unless you hear via any of the above methods. Please do not phone the school to ask if we are open as we may need to keep the line clear in order to contact staff. Please check on the school Facebook page and check emails. Learning would be sent home via the class email system.



Advance Notice – Wednesday 26th January

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.

Advance Notice – Monday 25th April

Due to the Queen's Platinum Jubilee, schools have been asked to change a training day that was previously allocated in July. The training day will now be straight after the Easter holidays on Monday 25th April and school will open for the children on Tuesday 26th April.

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 made a fantastic start to Year 5. This person has developed maturity and resilience and has shown determination in everything they have done.

This person is a kind and supportive friend to many children in our school.

We have been so impressed with their attitude towards each new challenge and we can't wait to see what they go on to achieve!

Keep being amazing!

Congratulations and well done to ...

Kelsey!



Ribbons



EYFS – In EYFS the ribbon this week goes to someone who has really impressed us with his grown-up attitude. He is showing us how fantastic he is at solving problems by himself and we are so proud of how far he has come this term. Well done Daniel!

Year 1 / 2 – This week the ribbon goes to someone who has taken great care with their learning - creating some amazing Christmas crafts. They took great care to colour cut and glue precisely. Well done Sia!

Year 3 / 4 – This week the ribbon goes to someone who has been a very supportive friend. We have really noticed their kindness and helpfulness towards others in the classroom this week. Well done and thank you to Jessica!

Year 5 / 6 – The ribbon this week goes to someone who has shown great determination with their sewing this week. They have persevered and the result is amazing! Remember to never give up - well done to Kai!

Values in Action

This week our Values award goes to someone who has demonstrated the school values of commitment and respect.



The Values Award goes to Harry for helping others with their Christmas card. Harry was nominated by Ewan.

Well done, Harry!

Attendance

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

Week Commencing 13th December 2021

Reception	Year 1/2	Year 3/4	Year 5/6
83%	95%	93%	94%

Kind regards,

Mrs Julie Lyon
Head Teacher



Diary Dates

January 2022	
12/1/22	Year 3 and 4 swimming at Thirsk
20/1/22	Promotional Dinner – Heinz Day
26/1/22	No afterschool childcare club – whole staff health and safety training
February	
3/2/22	Promotional Dinner – Chinese New Year
w/c 14th February	Parents Evening Tuesday 15 th February and Thursday 17 th 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

