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Dear Parents / Carers,

The first half term seems to have come around very quickly with us breaking up on Friday for a week.

We have our Harvest Festival to look forward to on Friday morning for children in Reception to Year 6 starting at 9.15am– we do hope you can join us.

Due to the size of the hall, please can a maximum of two people from each household attend Harvest -thank you.

Foodbank Donations

The school council vote has decided on Ripon Community House which makes emergency food parcels for people in crisis in Ripon, Boroughbridge and the surrounding villages.

Donations should be dried goods, tinned food or UHT milk products.

Donations can also be made online via bank transfer:

Sort code	54 30 46
Account number	41013247
Reference	Food support

Parents Evening

Parents Evening is this week. A confirmation slip has been sent home with the date and time for your appointment.



Class News:

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

EYFS: This week EYFS enjoyed a special visit from Mrs Crabtree our school chef. The children found out about how she helps us within our school community. They asked her some interesting questions. The children made some delicious biscuits which Mrs Crabtree baked for them in the school kitchen. They used maths skills to carefully measure out the ingredients. Then sequenced pictures of their baking to describe the instructions they followed. The children are continuing to retell the story of the Little Red Hen using story maps and actions.

Year 1 and 2: This week year 1/2 have been writing character descriptions of The Tear Thief we have used expanded noun phrases to add interest and excitement into their writing. We have made simple pinch pots out of clay in art and explore which surface caused the least amount of friction in Science. We have continued to explore toys from the past in History. The children have also been learning the algorithm in computing to make the Beebots move.

Year 3 and 4: This week we have been continuing to explore recount texts and looking at the features of recount texts. In Geography we have been learning to read maps using grid references to locate facilities and places. In art we have been preparing our printing blocks to create our William Morris block prints, and in French we have been learning what different names mean.

Year 5 and 6: This week, in year 5/6, we have been finding out about how our food gets to our plate. We have been researching food miles and the journey that is involved in getting different foods to the UK. We are aiming to write some poetry with our findings. We also began exploring using acrylic paints this week in our sketching books. We enjoyed using a different type of paint and we will go on to try using a palette knife to create texture to our painting.

Black History Month

In the UK, October marks the beginning of Black History Month. This national celebration aims to promote and celebrate the contributions of those with African and Caribbean heritage to society and to foster an understanding of Black history in general. Through Black History Month, we learn so much about ourselves and our abilities to overcome challenges both big and small. We learn to reason and wonder about things morally. We also learn from mistakes people made in the past and learn the importance of treating others with compassion – we learn to be givers and helpers. Through this month we are using a number of assemblies to learn about significant people in history such as Dr Martin Luther King, Mary Seacole and Rosa Parks.



Stone Age Workshop – Year 3 and 4

On Friday afternoon, Year 3/4 were transported back into the Stone Age with Una, who came to speak to us about Stone Age life and customs. The children dressed in animal skin clothing, ground grain to make flour using Stone Age tools and were able to examine spears, animal skins, antlers and jewellery from the Stone Age period. The workshop provided a brilliant opportunity for the children to experience first-hand many aspects of Stone Age life we have been studying through the term. We all thoroughly enjoyed in afternoon in the Stone Age!



Poetry Workshop – Year 5 and 6

We had a lovely afternoon with Andy who came to deliver a poetry workshop for year 5/6. The children have written some poems about the queen from different perspectives. Some children have written as the Queen's corgis, her bag, her brooch, and even her wardrobe. We hope to share some of our poems in the service at Ripon Cathedral.

Forest Schools – after half term

All the children in school will be undertaking Forest Schools at some point through the academic year. 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 1 and 2** are going to be undertaking Forest Schools after half term on a Tuesday starting on Tuesday 1st November. Please can children bring into school a waterproof coat, tracksuit bottoms and trainers / wellies – something that you don't mind getting wet and dirty!!



PE days after half term:

EYFS: -please have PE kit in every day

Year 1 and 2: Thursday

Year 3 and 4: Tuesday and Thursday

Year 5 and 6: Tuesday and Wednesday (swimming)

PE Kit

A reminder that now the weather is turning a bit cooler, the children can wear a tracksuit for PE in either black or navy.



Individual School Photograph Day – 3rd November

On **Thursday 3rd November** it is school photograph day. As with previous years the family photographs are to be taken first from 8.30am, these are for children in school who have siblings who are not at school. If this applies to you, please come to school for 8.30am to have your children photographed together. Individual photographs and siblings who come to this school will be taken during the school morning.



Bonfire Night – promotional school dinner – Wednesday 2nd November

Hot Dogs

(pork or vegetarian sausages with fried onions & ketchup)

Served with chips, peas and sweetcorn

Jacket Potato

With cheese and beans

Followed by

Rocket Lollies, yoghurt or fruit

Year 5 and 6 Ripon Cathedral Service – Friday 4th November

On Friday 4th November, Year 5 and 6 children have been invited to go to Ripon Cathedral to be part of a service celebrating military children.



Reading

All children need to read at home every day. Please listen to your child read and ask them questions about the text and / or pictures. Please ensure that you record what your child has read and how they have managed with their reading in their record book. **Reading and record books need to be in school every day so that they can be checked and new books issued.**

Flu Immunisation – Wednesday 23rd November – **families must register by this Friday** – important information from the Flu Immunisation Team – see below

Dear Parent/Guardian,

The flu vaccine will be offered to all primary school children this year. Nasal flu vaccination is delivered in school. There are some occasions where an injection is the most appropriate route for vaccination for some children. The consent form that the link below takes you to is for Nasal Flu, if you select NO, you will be asked a series of questions to establish if your child is eligible for an injection.

Please complete the link below to give consent. If you do not want your child to receive the vaccine then you can select the 'NO' option on the consent form.

<https://www.hdftsais.co.uk/Forms/Flu>

After you have finished, if you change your mind or need to tell us about changes to your child's medical history, do not complete another consent form. Please visit www.hdftsais.co.uk/Contact to contact the immunisation team and tell us about any changes.

For further information about the flu vaccine please access [Flu vaccination in schools – GOV.UK](http://www.gov.uk) (www.gov.uk)

Helen Harvey – Service Manager School Age Immunisation Service

Dishforth Airfield Flu Immunisation school code is: HD121332 – please enter this when prompted.

School Dinners

The price for dinner is £2.75 per meal (£13.75 per week). The cost for the month of October is **£44.00**.

Packed Lunches

A polite reminder that there should be no sweets or chocolate bars in packed lunches or fizzy drinks. Also, we are a **NUT FREE SCHOOL**. We do have children with allergies to nuts so please refrain from any sort of nut products in packed lunches – thank you.



Bookings for Dandelions Child-care

All bookings must be made by 12pm on a Friday for the following week so that we can ensure we have staffing ratios and food for the children.

Please either telephone the school office or email admin@dishforhairfield.n-yorks.sch.uk

ParentPay

Please ensure that your ParentPay account is up to date and all outstanding payments are settled promptly.

October Half-Term Activities at Carlton Lodge

Activities are aimed at children **aged 8-14 yrs**. And will be running over 3x days.

Tuesday, 25th Oct - Crate stack, Climbing Wall, Archery, Problem Solving.

Wednesday, 26th Oct - Bridges, Egg Challenge, Bushcraft, Orienteering

Thursday 27th Oct - Mini Olympics, Raft Build, Leap of Faith, Zip.

[Registration is from 9.10am] Activities start at **9.30am** and finish at approx. **4.30pm**.

Covid safe measures are in place.

Places are limited, so please check out the EventBrite site to secure your place[s]

To book your child[ren] for Activities please go to the Eventbrite site: [Carlton Lodge Activity Centre Events | Eventbrite](#)

Bookings can only be made through the Eventbrite site.

Places can be booked for children as individuals or in multiple numbers at a cost of **£40 per child + booking fee**. [£43.71]

Don't forget to bring a **packed lunch, shower kit & towel** and a **change of clothes**.
Come prepared for the season's weather conditions!

Children will be allocated into a group of 8 individuals and will be given instruction throughout the day by one or two instructors.

We look forward to seeing you!! ☺ Gillian Harrison - Office Administrator

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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

This week the cup goes to someone who has impressed us all with their confidence in reading and his attitude towards his learning. He has the most wonderful manners and is an excellent role model to all of his friends.



This person is now reading some words onsite and he is trying his best in Phonics lessons to build words with magnetic letters by himself.

We are all incredibly proud of how far he has come in his confidence and feel so lucky to have such a kind and well-mannered person in our class.

Congratulations and a well done to ...

Charlie!

Ribbons



EYFS – This week the ribbon goes to someone who is continuing to work hard and improve their fine motor skills. They are beginning to improve their pencil grip and are using the Read Write Inc. letter formation rhymes to help form letters they know the correct way. This week our class ribbon goes to Daniel. Well done for trying your best, keep it up!

Year 1 / 2 – This week the ribbon goes to someone who is challenging them self to be the best they can be. This person is listening to feedback and is trying to make the changes. They are a super role model. Well done, Emily-Rose!

Year 3 / 4 – This week the ribbon goes to someone who is a caring and kind friend. They are always cheerful and helpful in class, offering to help others and demonstrating our values of cooperation. This is particularly evident when they are working with others in groups. We are lucky to have such a considerate and caring person in our class. Well done Faith!

Year 5 / 6 – The ribbon this week goes to someone who has been a wonderful role model to the rest of the school since returning in September. They are demonstrating our school values and we have seen them support other children in lessons and on the playground. This person is showing



maturity, resilience and is also determined to put themselves outside of their comfort zone. Well done to Kelsey!

Values in Action

This week our Values award goes to someone who has demonstrated our school values of commitment, compassion, co-operation, responsibility, resilience and respect.



This person has been nominated for always putting a smile on my face and always being good. She makes me smile and is a great friend to me.

The values award goes to Faith V who was nominated by Phebie and Florence.

Well done, Faith!

We hope you all have a lovely half term break and we shall look forward to seeing you all on Monday 31st October.

Kind regards,

Mrs Julie Lyon
Head Teacher

Diary Dates

October 2022	
18/10/22 or 20/10/22	Parent / child / teacher consultations
21/10/22	Harvest Festival - morning
	Break-up half term
31/10/22	School opens
November 2022	
2/11/22	Promotional Lunch – Bonfire Menu
3/11/22	Individual School Photograph morning
4/11/22	Year 5 and 6 Ripon Cathedral Service
8/11/22	Fire Safety Talk – Fire Brigade
18/11/22	Children in Need Day – non-uniform
21/11/22	Year 6 Crucial Crew afternoon
23/11/22	Flu Immunisation



24/11/22	Year 5 and 6 Mini-Medics morning
December 2022	
7 th December	EYFS Nativity Play - morning
7/12/22	Last swim for Year 5 and 6 children (year 3 and 4 children to go after Christmas)
8/12/22	Year 1 and 2 Nativity Play - afternoon
9/12/22	Christmas Jumper Day for Save the Children
13/12/22	School Christingle for the children
14/12/22	Christmas School Dinner (TBC)
15/12/22	Christmas School Parties – afternoon – bring party clothes in a bag to get changed into
16/12/22	School closes for Christmas at 2.30pm
January 2023	
3/1/23	Training Day
4/1/23	School Open for the Spring 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

