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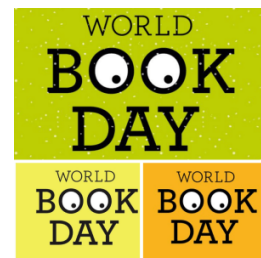


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## Newsletter 22 Monday 27<sup>th</sup> February 2023

Dear Parents / Carers,

This week in school we are celebrating World Book Day on Thursday where the children can come dressed up as a character from a book. In addition to this we also have our World Book Day promotional school lunch based on Roald Dahl's 'Charlie and the Chocolate Factory'.

### Class News:

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

**EYFS:** This week in Early Years we have begun our new topic, Amazing Africa. As it was also Pancake Day on Tuesday, we read a traditional tale from Kenya called Mama Panya's Pancakes by Mary and Rich Chamberlin. Afterwards, we made pancakes with the same ingredients as Mama Panya which included nutmeg and cardamom. Some of us really liked them! We came back after half term and the beans we planted have grown very green and tall. Now the weather is warmer, we are looking forward to doing lots of planting in our outdoor area in the coming weeks.

**Year 1 and 2:** In Year 1/2 we have been super scientists, finding out about the different materials that things have been made from. "Commander Classify" has helped us to organise objects into different groups and then we went on our own hunt to find our won objects to classify. In history we have been learning about the different equipment that Ernest Shackleton and his crew took on the Endurance expedition. They lived on a diet of pemmican. On the label it says that Pemmican is "A highly sustaining food consisting of Albumen and Fibrene of Beef and Animal Fat" This was mixed with biscuits and water. It sounds really disgusting! We are glad we have Mrs Crabtree!

**Year 3 and 4:** This week, Year 3 - 4 have begun to learn about different states of matter in science and putting their knowledge to practical use as they began to explore the forms they will need to create in clay when they make their own sculptures later this term. They have been researching the



effects of climate change and the importance of Fairtrade to those who are most affected as they have begun to think about arguments for a persuasive letter.

**Year 5 and 6:** In year 5/6 this week we have started our new science topic of 'Light'. We have been learning about how we see objects and how light reflects. We learnt about the incident ray and the reflected ray. We are moving on to look at refraction next week!

### **World Book Day – Thursday 2<sup>nd</sup> March**

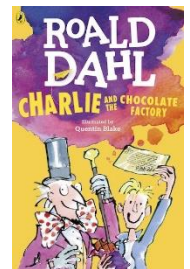
It is World Book Day on Thursday and the children can come to school dressed up as a character from a book.

### **World Book Day – promotional lunch – Thursday 2<sup>nd</sup> March**

Beauregarde's Beef Dinner  
With Baked Baby Potatoes

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Sausage and Bean Feast (V)

Oompa Loompa Carrots  
Mr Bucket's Cabbage  
Grandpa's Gravy  
Mrs Bucket's Homemade Bread



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Charlie's Chocolate Pudding  
With Chocolate Waterfall Sauce

### **Aquatic Finatic – EYFS**

EYFS will have an exciting morning next Monday 6<sup>th</sup> March with a visit from Aquatic Finatic where they will have the opportunity to see a wide range of different animals in school!

### **Comic Relief – Friday 17<sup>th</sup> March**

On Friday 17<sup>th</sup> March school will be supporting the Comic Relief Day where children can wear red noses and non-uniform for a £1 donation.



## **Key Stage 2 Trip to Yorkshire Sculpture Park – Tuesday 21<sup>st</sup> March**

On Tuesday 21<sup>st</sup> March all of Key Stage 2 are visiting the Yorkshire Sculpture Park for the day.

Year 3 / 4 children have been learning about the modernist sculptor Barbara Hepworth who created works using stone, wood and bronze which represented people in relation to the natural landscape. Year 3 and 4 children will be undertaking an artist led visit which will allow children to see some of the key sculptures in the park and then make their own creations under the artist's guidance.

Year 5 / 6 children have been learning about Larry Lerew, an artist who uses wax crayons and a water colour wash to create wonderful paintings. Year 5 / 6 children are going to take equipment, and paint some landscapes at the Yorkshire Sculpture Park.

## **Month of the Military Child – April - Photo Challenge**

Please see attached information about the photo challenge celebrating the month of the military child.

## **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.**

## **PE Kit**

A reminder that the children can wear a tracksuit for PE in either black or navy.

At this time of year, the children's trainers are getting rather muddy during PE sessions, please can children bring a spare bag to put their footwear in – thank you.

## **PE and Forest Schools**

Notice for when your child / children need their PE kits in school:

**EYFS: Please have PE kit in school every day**

**Year 1 and 2: Tuesday and Thursday**

**Year 3 and 4: Monday and Wednesday (swimming)**

**Year 5 and 6: Wednesday and Friday**



## Forest Schools

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 Reception** are undertaking Forest Schools this half term on a Tuesday. 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

The price for dinner is £2.95 per meal (£14.75 per week). The cost for the month of **March** is **£67.85**.

## 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@dishforthairfield.n-yorks.sch.uk](mailto:admin@dishforthairfield.n-yorks.sch.uk)

## ParentPay

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





## 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 been working incredibly hard in every lesson. This person is showing determination even when faced with a challenge.



This person has a positive attitude towards everything and we love your enthusiasm!

This person is always helpful and always offers to help staff and other children. Keep being yourself – kind, funny and caring.

Well done and congratulations to ...

Bobby!

### **Ribbons**



**EYFS** – The ribbon this week goes to someone who has not been in Early Years for long but has settled in really well. This person is always kind and friendly to everyone in Nursery. She is great at sharing and can be relied upon to always wait her turn. She has worked really hard in Maths this term, counting objects carefully and recognising numerals to 5. She joins in with all our number songs and loves to listen to a story! Well done and keep up the good work, Daisy!

**Year 1 / 2** – The ribbon this week goes to someone who has been working hard on their independent writing. They have been working incredibly hard to develop their ideas, extend their noun phrases and Fred all the sounds themselves. They always have a really positive attitude to their learning and we are really proud of her. Well done to Audrey!

**Year 3 / 4** – The person receiving the ribbon has been a good friend to our new arrivals this week and really made them feel welcome as they have found their way around the classroom and settled into new routines. They are a great role model for our school values and a popular member of our class. Well done to Felicity!

**Year 5 / 6** – The ribbon this week goes to someone who has been impressing us with their maths knowledge. In our recent maths lessons on fractions, this person has shown great knowledge and understanding of the subject but they have also shown determination when learning new objectives. Well done to Madie B!



## Values in Action

This week our Values award goes to someone who has demonstrated our school value of compassion.



This person has been nominated because they help me when I fall over.

The values award goes to Kelsey who was nominated by Emily-Rose.

Well done, Kelsey!

## Attendance

Weekly Attendance			
Good attendance at school is key to your child's progress.			
Week commencing 20 <sup>th</sup> February 2023			
Reception	Year 1 / 2	Year 3 / 4	Year 5 / 6
100%	94%	95%	97%

Kind regards,

Mrs Julie Lyon  
Executive Head Teacher

## Diary Dates

March 2023	
2/3/23	World Book Day – children can come to school dressed as a character from a book  Promotional School Dinner for World Book Day
6/3/23	EYFS visit from Aquatic Finatic
17/3/23	Comic Relief Day – Red Nose Day  Clubs finish



21/3/23	Year 3, 4, 5 and 6 trip to the Yorkshire Sculpture Park
31/3/23	Break-up for Easter
April 2023	
17/4/23	School open for the summer term  Year 5 and 6 trip to Eden Camp with Dishforth CE Primary School
May 2023	
1/5/23	May Bank Holiday Monday – school closed for one day
8/5/23	Bank Holiday Monday – King's Coronation
9-12 May 2023	Year 6 SAT week Tuesday – Friday
26/5/23	Break-up May half term
June 2023	
5/6/23	School open Year 4 Multiplication Check window begins
12/6/23	Phonic Screen Check window

### 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

