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Newsletter 21 Monday 20th February 2023

Dear Parents / Carers,

I hope you all had a super half term. We have much to look forward to over the coming weeks as we head towards Easter.

<u>Welcome</u>

A very warm welcome to Imogen who has started today in Year 4 and also a warm welcome to Eva, Khloe and Ellena who are starting tomorrow in Years 5, 3 and nursery.

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 been reading the traditional story of Jack and The Beanstalk. We have followed instructions to plant some beans like Jack's and will make sure we water them so that they grow green and tall. In Maths we have been learning about length. So we have designed and built our own tall beanstalks out of straws or unifix cubes to see if they will reach up to the giant's castle in the clouds. We have spent more time outside this week, spotting signs of Spring and enjoying reading our favourite stories in our outdoor reading den. We are hoping that it will soon be warm enough to begin planting some spring vegetables too!

Year 1 and 2: This week year 1 / 2 have been really busy researching facts about wolves. We have found out some amazing facts and are keen to write up our fact files. We have been using a number line in maths to take away from 20 and sharing into equal groups. We have had great fun designing our printing blocks inspired by Charles Rennie Mackintosh. However the most exciting event this week was our marble jar treat!



Year 3 and 4: This week we have enjoyed writing and performing our own poems about our wishes and dreams. We have been making good use of alliteration and similes to make our poems as exciting as possible. We have enjoyed learning more about Iron Age Hillforts and got a chance to share our wonderful models of hillforts that we completed for our extended task. Mrs Armstrong and Miss Hunt were very impressed with the effort we put in!

Year 5 and 6: This week we have been retelling a story in English. We watched a clip about a boy who receives a puppy as a gift. The boy and the dog are both missing a leg and soon form a bond after a rocky start. The message of the video fits with our PSHE topic about discrimination. We have been writing the story with dialogue between the boy and the dog.

Year 5 and 6 World War 2 Talk – Wednesday 8th February

This afternoon, Year 5/6 welcomed Liz into our school to talk about her experiences with evacuation during WW2. Liz was evacuated from outer London to Worcestershire when she was 8 years old. She lived on a farm with a family for nearly two years before she was allowed home. She explained that she enjoyed being evacuated and that her experience was a positive one. She still keeps in touch with some of the people from the village she lived in. The children asked Liz many questions and it was fascinating to hear a first-hand account of her experiences throughout WW2. Thank you to Mrs O'Connell for organising it and we hope to see Liz again soon.







World Book Day – Thursday 2nd March

Advance notice that it is World Book Day on Thursday 2nd March and the children can come to school dressed up as a character from a book.

World Book Day – promotional lunch – Thursday 2nd March

Beaureguarde's Beef Dinner With Baked Baby Potatoes

Scrumdiddlyumptious Sausage and Bean Feast (V)

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

Charlie's Chocolate Pudding With Chocolate Waterfall Sauce









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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.

<u>PE Kit</u>

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

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 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 **February** is **£44.25**.

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

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 is a fantastic role model in Reception. She is always focused in learning time and tries her best in everything she does. This person has worked so hard with her reading that she can now read lots of words independently and is using the sounds she knows in her writing too.



We are really proud of her for everything she has achieved so far in Reception and look forward to seeing her growing in confidence as the year goes on.

Well done and congratulations to ...

Mareca!

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Ribbons

EYFS – This week's ribbon goes to someone who is brilliant at listening and is always ready to learn at carpet time. This person has really enjoyed reading traditional stories this half term and can role play the different characters or use her imagination to invent new endings. She has drawn some super pictures of her

favourite part of the story and can say why she likes it. She has not been with us at Dishforth Airfield Primary for long, but she is already an amazing role model and super friend to others in EYFS. Well done for all your hard work, Ava!



Year 1 / 2 – The ribbon this week goes to someone who has been trying really hard in everything they do. They have amazing ideas and are a pleasure to have in our class. They have beautiful manners and can always be relied upon to make the right choices. Well done Jayden!

Year 3 / 4 – This week the ribbon goes to someone who has made a fantastic effort with spelling shed this half term. They have been working hard to practise their spellings and their effort is paying off. Keep up the great work Sophie!

Year 5 / 6 – The ribbon this week goes to someone who has been consistently showing that they are committed towards their learning. This person is focused in lessons, they are working hard on their tasks and they are welcoming challenge. We are so impressed with this person attitude towards their learning and we can't wait to see what they achieve in year 6! Well done to Harry C!

Values in Action

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



This person has been nominated because they are always making me laugh and they smile on the playground and in class.

The values award goes to Sami who was nominated by Libbie.

Well done, Sami!

<u>Attendance</u>

Weekly Attendance							
Good attendance at school is key to your child's progress.							
Week commencing 6 th February 2023							
Reception	Year 1 / 2	Year 3 / 4	Year 5 / 6				
100%	97%	98%	96%				

Kind regards,

Mrs Julie Lyon Executive Head Teacher







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Diary Dates

February 2023				
	Oshaal anan			
20/2/23	School open			
March 2023				
6/3/23	EYFS visit from Aquatic Finatic			
17/3/23	Comic Relief Day – Red Nose Day			
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		Dishforth C of E		Dishforth C of E
	Primary		Primary		Primary

