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Dear Parents / Carers,

I hope you have all had a great Easter break and enjoyed the time off – it certainly seemed like we had all four seasons of weather over the two weeks. It's lovely to see the children today who are full of chatter as to what they have been up to!

We have much to look forward to in a very busy summer term – please do keep checking the diary dates weekly as further events have been and will continue to be added as the term progresses.

Welcome

A very warm welcome to the following children who have started at Dishforth Airfield this week: Archie, Scarlett and Gabriel have started in Nursery, Arthur in Year 2 and Samuel in Year 3.

Class News:

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

EYFS: This week in EYFS we have been learning all about Easter. We have found out that Easter is a Christian celebration which is all about new life and new beginnings. We went on a walk around school to find some signs of spring and we used some beautiful spring flowers to 'flower the cross' as Christians sometimes do to celebrate Easter. We have also had our 'bug in the jug' treat on Tuesday afternoon. We chose to do Easter crafts and then went on an egg hunt around the EYFS unit.

Year 1 and 2: This week Year 1/2 have been learning all about volume and capacity - we have been using mathematical terms for full, nearly full, half, nearly empty and empty. We have looked at different scales when measuring in millilitres and litres. In English we have finished this week's story Fantastic Mr Fox and the children have learnt how cunning and crafty Mr Fox was! We have completed our printing and DT projects and the children have finished everything to a high standard.



Year 3 and 4: This week we enjoyed reading the final chapters of our class novel, Varjak Paw. In English we have been writing our own alternative endings to the story and enjoyed adding unexpected twists to them! In geography, we have been pulling together all of our learning this term to help us make comparisons between London and Paris and in History we have been exploring Iron Age art.

Year 5 and 6: This week we have made our final CAM toys in our DT lessons. We have used the skills that we have learnt over the term to create a final moving toy. We have also finished our final art piece which were inspired by Larry Larew. The children used wax crayons and a water colour wash.

PE Workshop

All the children in school enjoyed a boxercise workshop at the end of term which promoted several skills and activities for the children to engage in.

Year 5 and 6 trip to Eden Camp

Today Year 5 and 6 have been to Eden Camp to conclude their history topic on World War 2. The children have been gaining experience of what life was like during this period of time in Britain.



Coronation School Dinner – Friday 5th May

As a school we will be celebrating the coronation of King Charles of Friday 5th May with a promotional school dinner.

Further details about the Coronation will be sent out in due course.

A selection of homemade sandwiches

Homemade sausage rolls

Homemade cheese straws

Vegetable sticks

Celebration cupcakes



Curriculum Letters

A letter will go out later this week outlining what your child / children will be learning about this term in the different subjects at school.

School Uniform

A polite reminder that children need to wear school shoes as part of their uniform. In summer, girls can wear either blue or red checked dresses. Again, school shoes are part of the summer uniform as opposed to open-toe sandals. Children still need practical footwear for school that protects their feet, allows them to move about and climb on trim trails!

Online Safety Newsletter

This month's April edition of the online safety newsletter for families is attached to this newsletter.

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

PE Kits

EYFS: Tuesday and Thursday

Year 1 and 2: Monday and Thursday

Year 3 and 4: Monday and Thursday

Year 5 and 6: Thursday and Friday

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Parent Away

Please do let your child's class teacher know if a parent is away from home so that we can offer additional support.

Sun Cream

Please can I ask parents to ensure the children have sun cream applied to them before they come to school in the morning when the forecast is due to be sunny and also please do send into school a bottle of sun cream labelled with your child's name on it so that they can apply it when necessary over the summer months – thank you.

School Dinners

The price for dinner is £2.95 per meal (£14.75 per week). The cost for the month of **April** is **£29.50**.

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.

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 demonstrates our school values every day. This person is respectful to peers and staff and are always happy to help anyone who needs it.



This person has been working extremely hard with their learning and always give one hundred percent effort. We have been impressed with the challenges they are setting for themselves.

We are so proud of you and your smile. You are the best!

Well done and congratulations to ...

Samuel!

Ribbons



EYFS – The ribbon this week goes to someone who has really impressed us with his great attitude in read, write inc. He has learnt all of his set 2 sounds and is working really hard to read unfamiliar words. Well done Laud!

Year 1 / 2 – This week the ribbon goes to someone who has used super ideas in their writing adding adjectives and conjunctions to extend their sentences. We are seeing you mature and your fantastic learning behaviours are shining through. Keep up the good work. Well done Georgina!

Year 3 / 4 – The ribbon this week goes to someone who has worked incredibly hard on their writing. We have been so impressed with this person's perseverance in writing, their use of direct speech and the range of descriptive features that they have used whilst writing their story ending. Well done to Felicity!

Year 5 / 6 – This week the ribbon goes to someone who we have noticed has been working hard in every lesson, on every piece of work. This person is trying hard to achieve a pen licence and their attention to detail has not gone unnoticed. Keep up this hard work! Well done to Caleb!



Values in Action

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



This person has been nominated because they have been working very hard in Maths even if they have found it hard.

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

Well done, Dottie!

Attendance

Weekly Attendance

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

Good attendance is essential for pupils to get the most out of their school experience, including their attainment, wellbeing, and wider life chances. Nationwide research has shown that the pupils with the highest attainment at the end of key stage 2 have had higher rates of attendance throughout primary school, compared to those with the lowest attainment. The government aims for all pupils to have a minimum of 95% attendance across the school year, and any child with less than 90% attendance is recorded as a persistent absentee. Here is our school's current overview of attendance:

Week commencing 27th March 2023

Reception	Year 1 / 2	Year 3 / 4	Year 5 / 6
100%	96%	99%	97%

Kind regards,

Mrs Julie Lyon
Executive Head Teacher

Diary Dates



April 2023	
17/4/23	School open for the summer term Year 5 and 6 trip to Eden Camp with Dishforth CE Primary School
20/4/23	Class photographs
May 2023	
1/5/23	May Bank Holiday Monday – school closed for one day
3/5/23	EYFS Balance Bike afternoon
4/5/23	Music for Life – whole school concert and workshop for Year 3 and 4 (morning)
5/5/23	Coronation school dinner School event to mark the King's Coronation – details and time to follow
8/5/23	Bank Holiday Monday – King's Coronation – school closed
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
7/6/23	Year 5 and 6 – Game of Actual Life Day
12/6/23	Phonic Screen Check window
23/6/23	TRAINNG DAY – SCHOOL IS CLOSED FOR THE DAY
July 2023	
12/7/23	Whole school transition morning (TBC)
17/7/23	School Reports home
20/7/23	Year 6 Leavers' Assembly – afternoon
21/7/23	Break-up for summer holidays at 2.30pm

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

