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Newsletter 33 Monday 5th June 2023

Dear Parents / Carers,

I hope you all had a fantastic week off school and enjoyed some sunshine which looks set to continue this week. We have a busy half term ahead as we move towards the end of the academic year with many things to look forward to – please keep checking diary dates at the end of the newsletter.

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 books about birds. We have learned the difference between a fiction and a non-fiction book. Reception have used an information book about birds to learn facts so they could draw pictures and write about them. We read The Nickle Nackle Tree story by Lynley Dodd and then used our imagination to draw our own bird species. The Nursery children labelled their birds and listened to the words to see if they could identify the initial letter sound.

Year 1 and 2: We have been really busy in Year 1 / 2 this week writing instructions to make marshmallow sweets. The children have all written a set of instructions and then tested them out reading them to an adult who then made their sweet - following the instruction precisely. We have been learning about time and position in Maths this week. The Year 2's have been learning to tell in the time in 5 minutes past and 5 minutes to, whilst the Year 1's have been learning about forwards, backwards, left and right.

Year 3 and 4: This week, Year 3 and 4 have been working hard to finish the science fiction thriller stories and publish them as complete books including cover art. They have also continued to develop the tricky skill of mixing skin tones with acrylic paints and create light and dark shading in



preparation for portrait painting after half term. In RE, the children carried on discussing different religious festivals and what they mean to those who celebrate them. Finally, the children's first read through of the Key Stage 2 production was a success and we can't wait to see the finished product next half term!

Year 5 and 6: This week we have been learning about circuits in our DT lessons. We are aiming to design and make a fairground ride, so we were investigating how to make a successful circuit using lights and a motor. Next time we will be using some equipment to see if we can make objects move by attaching them onto the motor using elastic bands. We have also been practicing our songs for our production every day.

Summer Term Clubs

Clubs start this week and run throughout June. Thank you to all the staff for giving up their time to put the clubs on.

Walking on the footpath

Please can I remind all families to use the footpath to and from school to keep everyone safe. Children should not be walking on the road and if they are using bicycles or scooters, please ensure these are ridden safely.

Online Safety Newsletter

Please find attached to this week's newsletter, the June edition of our online safety newsletter.

Year 5 / 6 Geography Fieldwork Trip

On Monday 19th June, Year 5 and 6 children are going to Ripon for the morning to undertake geography fieldwork activities. They will be back in time for lunch.

Training Day – Friday 23rd June

Just a reminder that on Friday 23rd June school is closed to the children as it is a staff training day.

Parent / Carer Information Session – Reception children in September

On Wednesday 28th June at 9am we are holding a parent / carer information session for children who will be in Reception in September.



ParentPay

Breakfast and After school club, school meals and nursery fees are put on Parent Pay at the end of every week. Please can we remind families to check their account on ParentPay and make sure bills are paid as soon as possible.

National Curriculum Assessments

Year 1 Phonic Screen Check

Children in Year 1 will take the phonic screen check during the period week commencing 12th June. The outcome of this check is reported to parents by the end of the summer term.

Year 4 Multiplication Check

Children in Year 4 will take the national multiplication check in June during a two-week window commencing on the 5th June. The outcome of this check is reported to parents by the end of the summer term. Please refer to the parent / carer information document which 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 are needed on the following days:

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

School Uniform

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



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 and the children can attend the Parent Away club which is run by Mrs Parker.



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 **June** is **£56.05**.

We have been informed by County Caters that due to rising costs there will be a price increase on school dinners for children in Years 3-6 from September. The cost in September will be £3.32

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 has been working really hard in every lesson. We have watched you grow in confidence and determination to improve.



You are listening carefully to instructions and feedback on your learning.

You are demonstrating all of our school values. We are so proud of your hard work and determination.

Congratulations and well done to

Lexa!

Ribbons



EYFS – This week's ribbon goes to someone who has tried hard in all their learning, not only this week but consistently over the last half term. All the adults in Early Years have noticed this. Because they are trying so hard in every lesson, they have made a lot of progress in reading, writing and in Maths. We are all very proud of you, Laud. Very well done!

Year 1 / 2 – This week the ribbon goes to someone who has been trying really hard with their handwriting. They have worked hard to listen to adult feedback and have responded and been determined to make a difference. Keep practicing and we will get there. Well done Arthur!

Year 3 / 4 – This week, the ribbon goes to someone who has shown brilliant focus in their writing and made fantastic contributions in all lessons. They are showing themselves to be a conscientious learner and taking much more pride in their work. Keep it up, you've got great potential! Congratulations, Zoyaan!

Year 5 / 6 – The ribbon this week goes to someone who has really put themselves outside of their comfort zone in the recent weeks. This person has confidently auditioned, read lines, sung and danced in preparation for our production. We are so proud of them and their 'have a go' attitude is amazing! Well done to Mia!



Values in Action

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



This person has been nominated because they are good at looking after the school and they helped me with telling the time.

The values award goes to Bobby who was nominated by Isaac.

Well done, Bobby!

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 22nd May 2023

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

Kind regards,

Mrs Julie Lyon
Executive Head Teacher



Diary Dates

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
19/6/23	Year 5 and 6 Geography Fieldwork Trip to Ripon
23/6/23	TRAINING DAY – SCHOOL IS CLOSED FOR THE DAY
28/6/23	Parent / Carer information session for September Reception children – 9am KEY STAGE 2 (YEARS 3-6) PERFORMANCE OF PETER PAN at 2pm and 6pm
July 2023	
3/7/23	Sports Day – morning for children in Years 1-6 (time TBC)
4/7/23	EYFS Sports Day in the afternoon (time TBC)
5-7 July 23	Boroughbridge High School transition days
7/7/23	Year 1 and 2 trip to Harrogate
10-14 July 23	Thirsk High School transition days
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
September 2023	
4/9/23	TRAINING DAY
5/9/23	School open for the 2023-24 academic year
October 2023	
26/10/23	School photograph morning
27/10/23	Break-up October 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

