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Dear Parents / Carers,

We have another busy week in school this week with a science workshop and Comic Relief Day on Friday!

Comic Relief Day – Friday 15th March

On Friday 15th March school will be supporting the Comic Relief Day where children can wear red noses and non-uniform for a £1 donation.

Road Safety – car park

A polite reminder that no one should park on the yellow lines in the school car park. Also, please ensure children use the footpath to and from school for their own safety.

PTA newsletter



We have many fun fundraising events leading up to the Easter holidays starting on Monday 18th March after school. At the end of each school day there will be a range of items for the children to buy including: fidgets, hair bows, glitter braids, bow ties, glitter tattoo kits, raffle tickets and a cake bake sale.

Please see the attached PTA newsletter for further information and please note that this is a cash only system of payment.

Class News:

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



EYFS: This week we have been learning all about 'Spring'. We have had some beautiful spring flowers to make potions in our water area, make observational drawings of and to sell in our garden centre role play area. The children have also been busy making mother's day cards using a range of painting and collage techniques. Outside we have been planting vegetables in our vegetable patch and we have been learning all about how to grow and what they need. We can't wait to watch them grow!

Year 1 and 2: This week Year1/2 have been super busy! They have completed their Fire of London collages, built their playparks and been learning about the Lonely Beast in English. We also had an amazing time listening to each other talk about our heritage and our own sense of belonging. On Thursday we joined together for story time with the Year 5/6 children and listened to each other read.

Year 3 and 4: This week we have designed our own firework maker character and firework displays. We are really excited to begin writing our firework display descriptions over the next few weeks and to share them in an exhibition with the whole school! We have thought carefully about vocabulary to describe our fireworks and to help the reader create a clear image in their mind. Mrs Armstrong has been very impressed with our creativity!

Year 5 and 6: We have had a busy week in year 5/6! We have been learning about the Olympics in our history lesson. We found out about the Ancient Greek Olympics and then made some comparisons between the modern-day Olympics and how they did it 2500 years ago! We have also been busy learning our dances for our production which will be coming up in the summer term.

World Book Day and Vegetable Competition

The children looked fabulous on Thursday for World Book Day! A super day was had by all and it was lovely to see the older children sharing books and reading with the younger children in school. A very big well done to those who took part in the vegetable book character competition – the winners were:

EYFS: Eddie

Y1/2: Lily H

Y3/4: Penny

Y5/6: Evie





Professor Bubbleworks – Science Professors

We are looking forward to having the company 'Science Professors' visit our school on Friday 15th March to celebrate British Science Week 2024. To kick-start the visit, the whole school will be treated to a fun-filled Science demonstration which is promised to bring awe and wonder! In addition to this, our key stage 2 classes will take part in science workshops based on the British Science Week theme, 'time'. We are looking forward to sharing what we get up to with you!

Science Professors – please see below and the attachment

Dear Parent & Guardians,

We are thrilled to announce that we have organised an exciting day of workshop activities and demonstrations with the Science Professors team, part of Spark2Education, on Friday 15th March.

Attached is a letter containing some more information about Science Professors and the workshop to give you an idea of the type of event your student will be able to participate in.

Also included is an offer to receive free post-visit resources from the award-winning children's science publisher Whizz Pop Bang, who have recently partnered with Spark2Education to keep your child's excitement for science learning alive long after the workshop day.

Please use the link included in the letter to sign-up to receive your free post-visit resources or visit www.spark2.org/home-resources.

When filling out the form, please copy and paste the following School Booking ID number into the specified form field:

School Booking ID: 4120

High 5 Netball Final

The High 5 Netball final which was postponed due to the weather before Christmas has been re-scheduled to take place on Tuesday 19th March – good luck to the squad!



Easter School Lunch – Wednesday 20th March

Roast Chicken and Yorkshire Pudding

(V) Veggie Sausages and Yorkshire Pudding

Roast Potatoes
Gravy
Broccoli and Sweetcorn

Celebration Biscuit



Key Stage 2 trip to Murton Park

Our key stage 2 children are looking forward to their trip to Murton Park on Thursday 21st March. Year 3 and 4 children will be experiencing a Roman Day to complete their history unit of work and Year 5 and 6 children will be launching their new history learning through a Viking Day.

Great Fire of London Workshop – Year 1 and 2

On Thursday 21st March, Year 1 and 2 are having a history workshop based on the Great Fire of London which will complete their learning about this period in history.

Friday 22nd March – break-up for Easter at 2.30pm

On Friday 22nd March children can bring a hard-boiled egg into school for our annual decorate an egg competition. I would advise that you send in a spare hard-boiled egg as well in case of any breakages!



Also, on Friday 22nd March we close early for the Easter break at 2.30pm

FEAST – Food, Entertainment, Arts, Sport, Together

FEAST brings the fun to the school holidays, offering lots of different activities for everyone to take part in.

FEAST partners with leading holiday playschemes, clubs and activity providers from across North Yorkshire to offer a wide range of session for children of all ages from 4 to 18.

For further information please see the poster 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 Days this half term

Children can wear a plain black or navy tracksuit or shorts, plain white t-shirt and trainers. PE days are as follows for this half term:

EYFS:	Wednesday and Friday
Year 1 and 2:	Monday and Tuesday
Year 3 and 4:	Wednesday (swimming) and Thursday
Year 5 and 6:	Tuesday and Thursday

Keep in touch – School Facebook Page

Please ensure you are signed up to the school Facebook page so that we can get in touch with families quickly.

ParentPay

Breakfast and After school club, swimming, 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.

School Dinners

Children in Reception, Year 1 and 2 can have a school dinner free of charge.

The price for a school dinner for children in Years 3-6 is £3.32 per meal (£16.60 per week). The cost for the month of **March** is **£53.12**.

Children in Nursery can order a school dinner and the cost of their meal is £2.10

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

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 we have noticed is putting in a huge amount of effort with their learning. They are putting their hand up in lessons to answer questions, challenging themselves and also aiming to start their day in a positive way.



This person is polite, kind and a lovely friend. We are so pleased to have this person in our class and we are loving seeing your personality shine through.

Congratulations and well done to ...

Eva!

Ribbons



EYFS – This week the ribbon goes to someone who has settled really well into our school. They have made great progress with their phonics work and continue to work hard reading at home too. This person challenges themselves during their independent learning time and is always seen going that extra mile. Well done

Anisha!

Year 1 / 2 – The ribbon this week goes to someone who has a super attitude to learning. This person is a super friend and a great problem solver. They always have a smile on their face. Well done to MJ!



Year 3 / 4 – The ribbon this week goes to someone who has been working really hard across the curriculum. They have shown great enthusiasm in English and have carefully considered their vocabulary choices to describe their own firework display. Keep up the great work, Anthony!

Year 5 / 6 - The ribbon this week goes to someone who has been trying hard during our assessment week. We can see them using what they already know to answer the questions and the level of determination we have seen is impressive! Keep up the enthusiasm - you're doing great! Well done to Lyla!

Values in Action

This week our Values award goes to someone who has demonstrated our school value of co-operation.

This person has been nominated because they helped another child with a question they didn't understand.

The values award goes to Theo who was nominated by Jesse.

Well done, Theo!



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 4th March 2024

Reception	Year 1 / 2	Year 3 / 4	Year 5 / 6
91%	99%	99%	96%

Kind regards,

Mrs Julie Lyon
Executive Head Teacher



Diary Dates

March 2024	
15/3/24	Comic Relief Day – non-uniform day £1 Professor Bubbleworks – KS2 science workshops
19/3/24	High 5 Netball final
20/3/24	Year 3 and 4 – last swim Easter School Dinner
21/3/24	Year 3 and 4 children Murton Park – Roman Day Year 5 and 6 children Murton Park – Viking Day Year 1 and 2 – Fire of London workshop
22/3/24	Bring in two hard-boiled eggs for decorating Break-up for Easter at 2.30pm
April 2024	
8/4/24	Training Day
9/4/24	School open for the summer term
15/4/24	Skipping / Boxercise Day
15/4/24 22/4/24 29/4/24	Early Years – Reception – Forest Schools afternoons
17/4/24	Year 5 and 6 – lino cutting workshop
18/4/24	Class photograph morning
18/4/24	Year 3 and 4 trip to Newcastle Theatre Royal with Dishforth CE Primary to see 'The Wizard of Oz' – children will be late back approx. 6.30pm
May 2024	
6/5/24	May Bank Holiday Monday – school closed for the day
w/c 13th May	Year 6 SAT week
24/5/24	Break-up May half-term at 3.15pm

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

