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Dear Parents / Carers,

I hope you all had a fantastic week off school and enjoyed some sunshine over the weekend! 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 we had a lovely, exciting fun filled morning with the Story Craft theatre. The children were very active in their story telling session based on fairy tales. We experienced travelling on a storytelling rocket, meeting Little Red Riding Hood the detective in the forest and hunting for Goldilocks. This has all tied in brilliantly with our 'making a house for Goldilocks' theme in Reception and making Goldilocks moving puppets in Nursery.

Year 1 and 2: This week Year 1 / 2 started the week with the Story Craft Theatre - the children loved the activities and performance. We have been writing our own version of the Lighthouse Keeper's Lunch story this week starting with our perfect writing and then using the skills we have learn over the last two weeks. In Maths we have been learning to tell the time to and past the hour in 5-minute intervals and we have been learning position and direction - left, right, forwards and backwards. In PE we have been learning Tennis and playing dodgeball!

Year 3 and 4: We have had a super week. We enjoyed our geography fieldwork trip to Ripon where we put all of our learning and skill development in the classroom into practice. We used maps to plot and follow routes, conducted a traffic survey which we presented as tally and bar charts, did a shop survey of Ripon and drew our own sketch maps of the market place. We have also started designing



our night lights and the circuits we need to make them work in DT. We are looking forward to making them next half term!

Year 5 and 6: This week in year 5/6 we have been taste testing some foods that we may use to create out 3-course meal. We are going to be making afternoon tea with seasonal ingredients. We have tried all sorts of different elements of and afternoon tea and we've started to draft up some recipe ideas. We have also been learning about the effect that different substances can have on our body in our science lesson.

Year 5 and 6 Residential to High Adventure

We are very much looking forward to taking a group of children from Year 5 /6 to High Adventure on a residential this week. We leave on Wednesday morning and will return to school on Friday afternoon.

Passport of Experiences

A huge thank you to all the families who have sent in further ideas for our Passports of Experiences. We are going through them together this week and will be updating the passports ready for September.

Forest Schools – Year 1 and 2 – starting next Monday 10th June

Miss Rachel Hunt is back at Dishforth Airfield Primary School as our Forest School teacher for this term! Forest Schools will take place on a Monday afternoon for the full afternoon for three weeks for each class at some point in the year.

Here is a message from Miss Hunt:

Hello! I am delighted to be able to deliver Forest School sessions to all year groups over the course of the 2023 - 24 academic year. Forest School is child led, outdoor learning where children can learn a variety of skills from wood craft to fire lighting and challenge themselves to take risks whilst learning to respect and care for the natural world around them.

You can expect your child to get messy as we will be outdoors in all weathers so, please make sure that they bring clothes for every weather for every session. Ideally: wellies or walking boots; waterproof jacket and trousers or all in ones and a sun hat or woolly hat dependent on the temperature. I will provide safety gloves, but warm preferably waterproof gloves should be sent in the colder months.

Year 1 and 2 children will have Forest Schools on Monday 10th, 17th and 24th June in the afternoon. Please bring the outdoor clothing and footwear above in a named bag.





Sun Cream

Please can I ask parents to ensure the children have a **long lasting, high SPF 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.

Clubs

Clubs have started and finish week ending Friday 21st June.

Please note, there will be no Ro-icket on Wednesday this week due to the residential trip.

Online safety newsletter

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

National Curriculum Assessments at the end of Key Stage 1 and 2

Year 1 Phonic Screen Check

Children in Year 1 will take the phonic screen check during the period week commencing 10th June. The outcome of this check is reported to parents by the end of the summer term – please refer to the attached information with this newsletter.

Year 4 Multiplication Check

Children in Year 4 will take the national multiplication check in June during a two-week window commencing on the 3rd 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.

Year 3 and 4 Fieldwork Trip

Year 3 / 4 had a great time exploring Ripon for our Geography fieldwork. We looked carefully at maps of the area, located landmarks and planned out our routes before walking to them. At each stop we conducted a traffic survey to find out which area in Ripon experienced the most traffic and we were quite surprised by the results! After this we stayed in the market square and looked at the different types of shops and collected data around this. We finished off with creating a sketch map of the market place. It was a lovely morning involving lots of Geography skills!



Promotional School Dinner – Wednesday 19th June – Royal Celebration

Selection of Sandwiches
Cheese Straw
Small Sausage Roll
Summer Vegetable Sticks

Celebration Cupcake



School Training Day

Just a reminder that school is closed on Friday 21st June due to a training day and will be open again on Monday 24th June.

Parent / Carer Information Session 26th June – Reception children in September

On Wednesday 26th June at 9am we are holding a parent / carer information session for children who will be in Reception in September.



Menu Swap Day – Seaside Theme – Tuesday 25th June

On Tuesday 25th June we are having a seaside theme school dinner followed by an ice-cream van in the afternoon – read on!

In order to facilitate the seaside theme, the menus will be swapped on Tuesday 25th June and Friday 28th June.

Tuesday 25th June

(Harry Ramsdens) Battered Fish
V Veggie Bite Sub
Chips
Ketchup
Sweetcorn & Peas
Sliced Wholemeal Bread
Baked Bean Jacket Potato

Ice Lolly

Friday 28th June

V Creamy Mac & Cheese
V Vegetable Chilli & Rice
Peas & Sweetcorn
Home baked Garlic Bread
Baked Bean Jacket Potato

Iced Lemon Finger Fresh Fruit or Fruit Yoghurt





Ice cream Van

Operation Ice Cream!

On June 25th we have a visit booked from BFBS Operation Ice Cream. The BFBS ice cream van will be joining us, and all of our children from Nursery to Year 6 will be able to enjoy a free ice cream from the van. If your child has any allergies or you would prefer them not to have an ice cream, please speak to your child's class teacher.

Year One and Two are also going to have a seaside themed "topic" day that day. Further details will be sent closer to the time.

Summer 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!

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 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:

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| EYFS: | Please have PE kit in school every day |
| Year 1 and 2: | Tuesday and Friday |
| Year 3 and 4: | Tuesday and Thursday |
| Year 5 and 6: | Thursday and Friday |

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.

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

Please note that the cost of a school dinner has increased to £3.55 from today for children in Years 3-6.

The cost for the month of June for children in Year 3-6 will be £67.45

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 is a resilient, determined and enthusiastic learner. They work hard in everything they do and they love a challenge!



Not only is this person a super learner, they are a kind friend who is always keen to help others. We are so lucky to have you in our school.

You are a superstar!

Congratulations and well done to,

Anthony!

Ribbons



EYFS – This week the ribbon goes to someone who has thoroughly enjoyed our design technology project. They have shown resilience and determination using a range of joining, cutting and assembling techniques. Your excitement and enthusiasm has been so lovely to see. Well done Eddie!

Year 1 / 2 – The ribbon this week goes to someone who is kind and caring and has a super sense of humour. This person has a super attitude to learning and is prepared to challenge themselves. You are an amazing role model to others demonstrating your determination and resilience in everything you do. Well done Shanaya!

Year 3 / 4 – The ribbon this week goes to someone who has been a super star. This person is a kind and caring friend, they work with resilience and determination and we are so proud of the progress they have made this year. We will really miss them. Keep being a super star and always believe in yourself, Sophia-Rose!

Year 5 / 6 - The ribbon this week goes to someone who has been working especially hard on their handwriting and presentation. We have noticed that they are taking their time to produce high quality work in all lessons. Well done to Junior!



Values in Action

This week our Values award goes to someone who has demonstrated our school values of commitment, co-operation and resilience.



This person has been nominated because in class they always try their best. They help me in class and help me learn.

The values award goes to Alina who was nominated by Rowan.

Well done, Alina!

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 20th May 2024

| Reception | Year 1 / 2 | Year 3 / 4 | Year 5 / 6 |
|-----------|------------|------------|------------|
| 85% | 100% | 97% | 100% |

Kind regards,

Mrs Julie Lyon
Headteacher

Diary Dates

| June 2024 | |
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| 3/6/24 | School open |
| 3/6/24 | Two-week window for Year 4 multiplication check |
| 5/6/24-7/6/24 | Year 5 and 6 residential to High Adventure with Dishforth CE Primary |



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| 10/6/24 | Year 1 Phonic Screen Check week Reception balance bikes for 5 weeks Year 6 Bikeability for 5 weeks |
| 10/6/24 17/6/24 24/6/24 | Year 1 and 2 – Forest Schools afternoons |
| 17/6/24 | PCSO Liam Bradbury-Monk visiting school to talk to the children |
| 19/6/24 | Promotional school dinner – Royal Celebration Year 1 and 2 trip to Boroughbridgbe |
| Friday 21 st June | TRAINING DAY – SCHOOL CLOSED FOR ONE DAY |
| 25/6/24 | Seaside Theme school lunch Ice-cream van |
| 26/6/24 | Parent / carer information session for children who are starting Reception in September – 9am Dogs Trust presentation / workshops |
| 27/6/24 | Year 5 and 6 performance of Oliver! Timings – afternoon performance at 1.45pm (TBC) Evening performance at 5.30pm |
| 28/6/24 | Menu change – Tuesday / Friday swap |
| July 2024 | |
| 15/7/24 | Sports Day – Year 1-6 10am Sports Day - Promotional School Dinner |
| 18/7/24 | Music for Life morning – with band Mishra – whole school concert Year 6 Leavers' Assembly 2pm |
| 19/7/24 | School closes for the summer holidays at 2.30pm |
| September 2024 | |
| 2/9/24 | Training Day |
| 3/9/24 | School open for the new academic year 2024-25 |
| October 2024 | |
| 24/10/24 | Individual photographs |
| 25/10/24 | Break-up for October half-term |

