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Dear Parents / Carers,

We have another busy week in school this week with our new Reception parent session on Wednesday at 2.15pm in the school hall and on Thursday we have the Year 5 and 6 performance of Alice at 5.30pm – please can the Year 5 and 6 children be back at school for 5pm in order to get ready – thank you!

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 how to tell a story 'The Very Hungry Caterpillar'. The children have become very familiar with the storytelling language and key phases in the story. In PE this week the children have been focusing on throwing, catching and aiming including underarm and overarm throws.

Year 1 and 2: We have had another busy week in Year 1 and 2 this week where we have created our own creatures in English following the reading of 'The Barnabus Project'. We have started our new topic in Maths on telling the time and in RE we have been learning how to look after the Quran.

Year 3 and 4: This week some of the year 3 and 4 children enjoyed representing our school in a dodgeball competition! They worked well as a team and used a range of skills they have learnt in PE over the year. In English, we have been writing our information pages about an Amazon rainforest animal and we are hoping to see some of these animals in real life during our trip to Tropical World next week!

Year 5 and 6: This week we have enjoyed completing a maths escape room where we used a range of our learning from across the year to crack the code! Year 6 children enjoyed their bikeability session earlier in the week. We have all been working really hard on our play rehearsals and we are looking forward to sharing our final performance with everyone soon! In English, we have been starting to write our own newspaper reports. Another busy and productive week!



Year 3 and 4 Dodgeball Festival

Last Tuesday a team of Year 3 and 4 children participated in a Dodgeball Festival at Outwood Academy, Ripon and came joint third out of all the teams who were there – well done!!

Year 3 and 4 trip to Tropical World

We are really excited to be visiting Tropical World on tomorrow! It is set to be a super day where we will initially have a self-guided tour around the various enclosures, taking us on a journey through the Amazon Rainforest and exploring the range of animals and plants. Following this, we will be taking part in a rainforest themed workshop to enhance our in-school Geography learning. Please can all children bring a water bottle, lunch, a small rucksack and, weather dependent, a light-weight waterproof coat. Tropical world can be warm so we recommend summer uniform clothing!

Parent / Carer Information Session 25th June – Reception children in September

On Wednesday 25th June at 2.15pm we are holding a parent / carer information session in the school hall for children who will be in Reception in September.

Year 5 and 6 Performance of Alice the Musical

On Thursday 26th June Year 5 and 6 are performing Alice the Musical at **5.30pm**.

School will be filming the dress rehearsal which the whole school will watch and then this will be put securely on the school website with a password.

There is to be no filming or taking photographs on mobile phones or any other device at the performances – thank you.



Sports Day – Reception – Year 6 Monday 14th July at 10am

Our traditional Sports Day is on the morning of Monday the 14th July for children in Reception – Year 6 starting at 10am prompt! Please ensure your child has their PE kit with them on this day.

Families are welcome to join us and please feel free to bring your own chairs!

Promotional School Dinner – Monday 14th July – Sports Day

Pizza Party
Garlic Wedges
Coleslaw
Cucumber Baton

Iced Sponge



Sports Festival for Nursery children – Tuesday 15th July

A Sports Festival for Nursery children (with Reception children helping out!) is on Tuesday 15th July at 2.15pm.

Makaton sign of the week

We have a number of children in school who are using Makaton to support their communication. During assemblies, we are continuing on developing some basic signs.

This week's sign is: **pineapple**



Here is a link to the Makaton site:

https://makaton.org/TMC/TMC/The_Makaton_community/Sign_of_the_Week.aspx

PE Days this half term

Please see below when your child / children are having PE this half term. **Children in Y1-Y6 need a PE kit in school which has a black / navy blue tracksuit, socks and trainers as a PE session may take place outside.**

EYFS: Please have PE kit in every day

Year 1 and 2: Tuesday and Thursday

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.

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.**

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. New families to the school will receive login information for ParentPay once their child / children have started.

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 is £3.77 for children in Years 3-6.

The cost for the month of June for children in Year 3-6 will be £75.40. (20 meals)

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.

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.



Easy Fundraising

We have set up an Easy Fundraising page to help us raise extra money for our school. You can raise FREE donations for Dishforth Airfield Primary School EVERY time you shop online. Please support us by following this link, signing up and using easy fundraising when you shop online. Thank you for your support!

<https://www.easyfundraising.org.uk/causes/dishforthairfieldprimary/>

Bookings for Dandelions Childcare

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. Accounts are put on ParentPay. Parents are charged based on the bookings they make and any additional sessions.

Please either telephone the school office, using the link

<https://forms.office.com/e/A50V4pv57w> 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 has a super attitude towards their learning. They are an active member in our class discussions and they have been demonstrating resilience and determination in their lessons.



They are a kind and caring member of our school and have impeccable manners. They always help others with a smile on their face and they are a joy to teach.

Keep up the great work!

Congratulations and well done to ...

Jude!



Ribbons



EYFS – This week the ribbon goes to someone who is striving to achieve their best in PE. This person showed great endurance when throwing and catching with a partner and aiming for a target. Well done George!

Year 1 / 2 – The ribbon this week goes to someone who has worked very hard all year. They have shown resilience and determination to make progress with their targets and we are very impressed with them. This person is also very thoughtful and kind towards everyone in the class and they are a good friend to all. Well done, Alissia!

Year 3 / 4 – The ribbon this week goes to someone who gives their all in everything they do. We have been impressed with this person's enthusiasm towards their learning and their determination to achieve their best. Your hard work has definitely been noticed! Keep up the great work, Emily-Rose!

Year 5 / 6 – This week the ribbon goes to someone who has been incredibly focused on their learning. We have also been really impressed with this person's wonderful singing during our play rehearsals. Well done to Florence!

Values in Action

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



This person has been nominated because they are always telling jokes and helping me if I fall – they are a great friend.

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 96% 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 16 th June 2025			
Reception	Year 1 / 2	Year 3 / 4	Year 5 / 6
98%	96%	97%	95%

Kind regards,

Mrs Julie Lyon
Head Teacher



Diary Dates

June 2025	
24/6/25	Year 3 and 4 trip to Tropical World
25/6/25	Meeting for parents of children starting Reception in September – school hall at 2.15pm
26/6/25	Year 5 and 6 Performance of Alice the Musical at 5.30pm
27/6/25	Open morning for new September nursery children with their parents Year 5 and 6 – Game of Actual Life Day
30/6/25	Re-scheduled cross-country event
July 2025	
1/7/25	Rotter's Workshop for EYFS and Year 1 and 2
7/7/25	Reading Challenge 2025 Assembly – Boroughbridge Library
9/7/25	Whole school transition morning
14/7/25	Sports Day – Reception to Year 6 starting promptly at 10am
15/7/25	EYFS sports afternoon at 2.15pm
16/7/25	Year 6 treat - afternoon
17/7/25	Year 6 Leavers' Service 2.30pm
18/7/25	School breaks up for the summer holiday at 2.30pm
September 2025	
1/9/25	Training day for school staff
2/9/25	School open for academic year 2025-26
October 2025	
6/10/25	Flu Immunisation
21/10/25	Individual School Photograph Morning
21/10/25	Parent / Child / Teacher consultations from 3.30pm
22/10/25	Parent / Child / Teacher consultations from 3.30pm
24/10/25	Break-up for October half term at 3.15pm
November 2025	
3/11/25	School open
7/11/25	Year 5 and 6 Ripon Cathedral
December 2025	
17/12/25	Christmas School Dinner
18/12/25	Christmas Party afternoon
19/12/25	Break-up for Christmas at 2.30pm