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Newsletter 33 Monday 1st June 2026

Dear Parents / Carers,

I hope you all had a fantastic week off school and enjoyed the wonderful sunshine over the 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.

Sponsored Walk

On Tuesday, 30th June, children and staff will be taking part in a sponsored walk around the camp. This is a fantastic opportunity for the children to engage in a fun activity while also supporting a great cause. A letter and sponsor form will be sent home soon, so please keep an eye out for that. All money raised will contribute to our PTA fund, helping to enrich our school community. Together, we can make this event a huge success.

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 exploring numbers 11-20. The children have been making the number in a range of ways ensuring they find the ten first. They have made towers of 10, found 10 on a bead string and finding the 10 Numicon tile. They added the rest in ones. Our class caterpillars are still wrapped up in their cocoons. We have a feeling they will turn into butterflies whilst we are on half term break! Ethan has kindly offered to take them home and take photos of their progress.

Year 1 and 2: This week in class we have been writing a fact file about meerkats which has included information about their appearance, habitat and diet. In R.E. we have been finding out what happens in a typical Sunday service in a church. In PSHE we have explored different emotions and how they can change.

Year 3 and 4: This week we have been busy writing our own Chocolate Factory descriptions in English. In DT we have designed our final night light products in preparation for making these after half term. In Geography, we have been learning about grid references and accurately using these to locate different places. We have also enjoyed beginning rehearsals for our Key Stage 2 production!

Year 5 and 6: This week in year 5/6 we have begun our rehearsals for our play 'Cinderella Rockerfella'. Everyone has thrown themselves into their roles by learning lines, songs and dances. We have also been doing some weaving in DT using a mini loom and wool. We're going to be making an outfit for a Maya doll which we will be making in art.



Bewerley Park

Mrs Armstrong and I are taking a group of Year 5 and 6 children to Bewerley Park on Wednesday and will return to school on Friday. We have three days of outdoor and adventurous activities planned and we shall look forward to sharing our experiences with you when we get back!

Africa Reborn workshop

On Friday afternoon the children took part in Africa Reborn, guided by an African storyteller this was an immersive 'Big Experience' that brought the richness, resilience and rhythm of African and Caribbean heritage to life. The children had a great time, taking part in this experience, they showed great enthusiasm.

Reminders!

- School shoes are part of the school uniform – not trainers or open toed sandals. Please ensure your child / children is wearing appropriate footwear for school.
- Snack at playtime is fresh fruit / vegetable which for the children in Nursery, Reception, Year 1 and 2 is provided free of charge through a government scheme. If you choose to send in something for your child to eat at playtime in any year group, then it must be fresh fruit / vegetable only.
- PE kits - a reminder that this is a plain white t-shirt (no logos), navy or black tracksuit and trainers. Please name all items of clothing.
- Key-rings on school bags - please can children remove the big key-rings off their bags as we are having difficulties with hanging everything up in the cloakroom due to the size of them!!!!

Online Safety Newsletter

Please find attached to this newsletter the online safety information for June.

Key Stage 2 Production – Cinderella Rockerfella

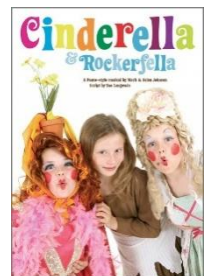
Years 3-6 will perform the musical 'Cinderella Rockerfella' on Monday 29th June at 1.45pm and Tuesday 30th June at 5.30pm (children to be back at school at 5pm)

Due to the size of the school hall, the performances will be ticketed.

Each child will have two tickets for each performance for their families to use. If you don't need all the tickets then please return unneeded tickets to the school office so that they can be given to families who possibly would like more.

School will film the musical and photograph the children in costume – photographs will be emailed to parents and the film will be put on our website with a secure password.

Please note that the children in school (EYFS – Year 3) will have seen the performance in a dress rehearsal.



PE Days

Please see below when your child / children are having PE this half term.

EYFS: Please have PE kit in every day

Year 1 and 2: Tuesday and Thursday

Year 3 and 4: Monday and Thursday

Year 5 and 6: Wednesday and Thursday

Promotional School Dinner – Thursday 18th June – World Cup Football

To celebrate the football world cup, we are having a promotional school dinner!

Chicken Nuggets

Mac and Cheese

Fries

Waffles with Toppings



National Curriculum Assessments

Year 1 Phonic Screen Check

Children in Year 1 will take the phonic screen check during the period week commencing 8th June. The outcome of this check is reported to parents by the end of the summer term. If a child in Year 2 did not achieve the pass mark in Year 1, or if a child in Year 2 did not take the phonic screen check, then they will also take the check this year. Please refer to the parent / carer information document which is attached to 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 1st 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.

Further information regarding the above assessments is attached with today's newsletter. If you have any questions or queries about any of the above national assessments, please don't hesitate to contact your child's class teacher.

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: **Bicycle**



Here is a link to the Makaton site:

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



Sun Cream

Please can I ask parents to ensure the children have sun cream applied to them before they come to school on a 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.



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 £2.40

Please note that the cost of a school dinner is £3.90 for children in Years 3-6.

The cost for the month of June for children in Year 3-6 will be £81.90 (21 meals)

School dinners are paid through ParentPay – new families will receive information regarding a login to ParentPay later this week.

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.

Please find attached to this newsletter some useful tips and advice regarding packed lunches.

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, use the link <https://forms.office.com/e/A50V4pv57w> or email admin@dishforhairfield.n-yorks.sch.uk

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/dishforhairfieldprimary/>



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 superstar! This person is a role model and truly embodies the values of our school in everything they do. They are a kind and caring friend and work with resilience and enthusiasm, always.



This person's warm personality and infectious laugh brightens the room and we are so lucky to have them in our school.

Congratulations and well done to

Freya!

Ribbons



EYFS – This week the ribbon goes to someone who is showing excellent progress in reading. Making sure to 'Fred in their Head' which is fantastic! Well done Catherine.

Year 1 / 2 – The ribbon this week goes to someone who has been working incredibly hard on their phonics and then applying this in their reading. They have a super attitude towards learning and we are very proud of you. Well done, Noah!

Year 3 / 4 – This week the ribbon goes to someone who has written a fabulous description for their very own chocolate factory using expanded noun phrases, preposition phrases and much more! Well done to Riasha!

Year 5 / 6 – The ribbon this week goes to someone who has been really enjoying the play rehearsals. They have been getting into character, learning their lines and giving it their all in dance lessons! We're so excited to see them perform on stage for an audience! Well done to Anthony!

Values in Action

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



This person has been nominated because they are always being a good friend and they are kind to others.

The values award goes to Bella who was nominated by Alice.

Well done, Bella!

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 18th May 2026

Reception	Year 1 / 2	Year 3 / 4	Year 5 / 6
91%	95%	94%	96%

Kind regards,

Mrs Julie Lyon

Head Teacher



Diary Dates

June 2026	
1/6/26	School open Year 4 Multiplication check 2-week window w/c 1/6/26 and w/c 8/6/26
3-5 June	Year 5 /6 residential to Bewerley Park
w/c 8/6/26	Year 1 Phonic Screen Check
17/6/26	Water Safety talks
18/6/26	Promotional school dinner – World Cup Football
19/6/26	TRAINING DAY – School closed for one day
22/6/26	Music Concert – The Grace Smith Trio
29/6/26	KS2 performance of ‘Cinderella Rockerfella’ at 1.45pm
30/6/26	Sponsored Walk – morning
30/6/26	KS2 performance of ‘Cinderella Rockerfella’ at 5.30pm (KS2 children back at 5pm)
July 2026	
1/7/26	Year 1 and 2 trip to the seaside
10/7/26	Wolf on Trial workshops for KS1 and KS2
13/7/26	School reports home
16/7/26	Year 6 Leavers Service – afternoon - time TBC
17/7/26	Promotional school dinner – Leavers’ Lunch – Y6 choice TBC Break-up for the Summer Holidays at 2.30pm
September 2026	
Monday 7 th September	School open for the Autumn Term – all children in school (there is no training day on this day)
October 2026	
5/10/26	Honey Pots of Imagination workshops celebrating 100 years of Winnie the Pooh
20/10/26	Individual School Photograph morning
Thursday 22 nd October	School closes for October half term at 3.15pm
Friday 23 rd October	Staff training day – school closed to children
November 2026	
2/11/26	School open
2 nd and 3 rd November	Year 6 Bikeability – further details to follow
December 2026	
16/12/26	Christmas School Dinner
17/12/26	Christmas Party afternoon
18/12/26	Break-up for Christmas at 2.30pm
January 2027	
4/1/27	Staff training day – school closed to children
5/1/27	School open for the spring term