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### Newsletter 27 Monday 17<sup>th</sup> April 2023

Dear Parents / Carers,

I hope you have all had a great Easter break and enjoyed the time off – it certainly seemed like we had all four seasons of weather over the two weeks. It's lovely to see the children today who are full of chatter as to what they have been up to!

We all enjoyed a lovely end to the spring term with our church service at Baldersby St James where Class 3 gave a performance of Easter Praise.

We have much to look forward to in a very busy summer term – please do keep checking the diary dates weekly as further events have been and will continue to be added as the term progresses.





#### Welcome

A very warm welcome to Ava and Logan who have joined us this week in Nursery.

#### **Class News:**

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

**EYFS** – This week in EYFS we have been learning all about Easter traditions, including eggs, chocolate, bunnies and chicks! We have designed our own Easter cards and explored the Easter sensory tray. We worked together to make an Easter Garden, using items from the outdoor area to help us. We have been practising our songs for the Easter service with the rest of school.

**Class 1** – It has been a creative week in Class 1 making Easter and Spring cards, decorating eggs, designing bunting and making chocolate nests. We have also been measuring capacity and volume with year 2 tackling some tricky problem solving and year 1 measuring using non-standard units. All of the children have completed sewing their bags in DT and have really enjoyed the challenge.

**Class 2** – This week in Class 2 we have loved performing our production of "Mystery at Magpie Manor" for you all. The children looked amazing and as I'm sure you will all agree their performance was worth of the West End or Broadway! In maths this week, the children have been looking at addition and subtraction of fractions. In RE we have looked more closely at the Easter Story, looking at it from the perspective of Mary, Jesus's mother. In Art we enjoyed finishing off our Henry Moore themed work and in DT we made pneumatic toys.

**Class 3** – Class 3 have had a busy final week before the Easter break. They have filmed their DT projects (a moving toy using gears). The children have also finished their unit in maths looking at area, perimeter and volume. In art, they have finished their final piece in the style of our artist Larry Lerew. Finally, in RE, they have been looking at their thoughts around the resurrection and Jesus' sacrifice. The Y5/6 children have worked incredibly hard on the Easter service, starring our Y5 children. We are very excited for our first day back after the holidays, when we are going to Eden Camp!

## Class 3 trip to Eden Camp

Today Class 3 have been to Eden Camp to conclude their history topic on World War 2. The children have been gaining experience of what life was like during this period of time in Britain.



#### Coronation School Dinner – Friday 5th May

As a school we will be celebrating the coronation of King Charles of Friday 5<sup>th</sup> May with a promotional school dinner.

Further details about the Coronation will be sent out in due course.

A selection of homemade sandwiches

Homemade sausage rolls

Homemade cheese straws

Vegetable sticks

**Celebration cupcakes** 

## **Curriculum Letters**

A letter will go out later this week outlining what your child / children will be learning about this term in the different subjects at school.

#### **Online Safety Newsletter**

This month's April edition of the online safety newsletter for families is attached to this newsletter.

#### School Uniform

A polite reminder that children need to wear school shoes as part of their uniform. In summer, girls can wear 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.

<u>PE Days</u> EYFS: Friday Class 1: Thursday and Friday Class 2: Monday and Wednesday Class 3: Monday and Thursday

#### 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.

#### Breakfast and After School Club – important booking information

Please can any families who would like to use this facility ensure that bookings are made by 12pm on a Friday for the following week.

We can't take any bookings after this time at short notice as we need to ensure we have staff in place.

# Friends of Dishforth

### **DishFest – Talent Show**

As part of DishFest there will be a Talent Show, this is free to enter. If you would like to enter please contact Sarah Lynch, either by telephone on 07792 253994 or via the village community page.

Payments for DishFest can be purchased via this link <u>https://dishforth-c-of-e-primary-school.sumupstore.com</u>

#### AWARDS

#### **Celebration Assembly**

On Friday, we had our Celebration Assembly. This week the following children were given our weekly awards;



#### **Ribbons**

**EYFS** – This week the ribbon goes to someone who always tries their very best. They follow our class rules and are a super role model to everyone else. Well done Daisy!

**Class 1** – The ribbon this week goes to someone who has really begun to work hard and enjoy learning. They have improved their concentration during lessons and have become a whizz at writing! Keep up the great

work Harley!

**Class 2** – The ribbon this week goes to someone who sets themselves high standards academically. Their times table knowledge is fantastic and their spelling can always be relied upon to be very good. Their performance in the play was of a very high standard and they always tell fantastically funny jokes. Well done Tyrell!

**Class 3** – The ribbon this week is going to someone for their great efforts when learning their lines for the Easter service in church. They have been trying really hard to project their voice and have rehearsed many times. Fantastic perseverance, well done Dacian!

## Values in Action

This week our Values Award goes to someone for demonstrating our school values of perseverance and respect.

This person has been nominated because in boxercise he never gave up and listened carefully.



The award goes to Finley who was nominated by Evie M.

Well done, Finley!

## 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 27 <sup>th</sup> March 2023						
EYFS	Class 1	Class 2	Class 3			
90%	97%	98%	92%			

#### Kind regards

## J M Lyon

### **Executive Head Teacher**

#### **Diary Dates**

April 2023				
17/4/23	School open for the summer term			
	Class 3 trip to Eden Camp with Dishforth Airfield			
21/4/23	Open the Book Collective Worship			
May 2023				
1/5/23	May Bank Holiday Monday – school closed for one day			
3/5/23	EYFS Balance Bike morning			
4/5/23	Music for Life – whole school concert and workshop for class 2 (afternoon)			
5/5/23	Coronation school dinner School event to mark the King's Coronation – details and time to follow			
8/5/23	Bank Holiday Monday – King's Coronation – school closed			
9-12 May 2023	Year 6 SAT week Tuesday – Friday			
26/5/23	Break-up May half term 3.15pm			
June 2023				
5/6/23	School open			

	Year 4 Multiplication Check window beginsOpen the Book Collective Worship				
9/6/23					
12/6/23	Phonic Screen Check window				
23/6/23	TRAINING DAY – SCHOOL IS CLOSED FOR THE DAY				
28/6/23	Class 3 – Game of Actual Life Day				
29/6/23	Year 5 Enrichment Day Thirsk School Day 2				
July 2023					
13/7/23	Whole school transition morning (TBC)				
17/7/23	School Reports home				
19/7/23	Year 6 Leavers' Assembly – afternoon				
21/7/23	Break-up for summer holidays at 2.30pm (no after school club)				

I will be in each school every day as follows:

Day	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Morning	Dishforth	Dishforth C of	Dishforth	Dishforth C of	Dishforth
	Airfield	E Primary	Airfield	E Primary	Airfield
Afternoon	Dishforth C of	Dishforth	Dishforth C of	Dishforth	Dishforth C of
	E Primary	Airfield	E Primary	Airfield	E Primary