



DISHFORTH C of E PRIMARY SCHOOL

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## Newsletter 35 Monday 19<sup>th</sup> June 2023

Dear Parents / Carers,

I hope you all had a lovely weekend and enjoyed the sunshine. Just a reminder that school is closed for the children this Friday (23<sup>rd</sup> June) for a staff training day.

### **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 going on an adventure to the beach. We have talked about what we would need to take to the beach, what we like to do at the beach and how we keep safe. In maths we have been looking at odd and even numbers. We know that some numbers can make pairs and some numbers have one left over. Reception enjoyed a talk by our local PCSO who talked to them about road safety. We have enjoyed taking orders in our ice- café role play.

**Class 1** – Class 1 have had a fantastic week. The highlight was making our long-awaited fruit desserts and of course eating them! We have also had a visit from a police officer to help us to understand road safety. In English we have begun a new book called Meerkat Mail and have been enjoying exploring the text and making predictions. We are watching how our seeds progress in science and have written instructions about how to correctly plant a seed and found out exactly what seeds need in order to grow. Our big question in RE is “what makes places special?” and we have talked about places that are special to us and why. We are looking forwards to our class trip soon.

**Class 2** – We have had a great week in the sunshine this week. In our PE lessons we have enjoyed learning more about our track and field events. Looking at shot put, javelin and long jump, working in pairs and measuring the length of our attempts. In history this week we were critical thinkers, looking at evidence of whether or not the railways really were a great invention for the Victorians. In RE we looked for evidence of the Kingdom of God on Earth by analysing the Lord's prayer and in Computing we composed our own R&B beats, we really have some budding music producers in Class 2!

**Class 3** - Class 3 have worked incredibly hard this week, focussing on our play - Macbeth - and our new book 'Town is by the Sea'. They have considered their roles carefully and listened attentively to some new challenges, with our stage up. The children have researched coalmining, linking to our book. They have also been looking at some investigations in Y6, during maths. In Y5, they have been continuing with decimals, linking it to money. Class 3 have spent some time creating their shields and daggers/ swords for the play. In music, they tried to play a piece of music and then sped it up to add more challenge. Finally, we have been learning about Anglo-Saxon crime and punishment in history.

### **PCSO visits last week**

PCSO Liam Bradbury-Monk from the Ripon Neighbourhood Policing Team made a couple of visits last week to speak to the children in KS1 and KS2 on age-appropriate topics such as peer pressure and road safety. He will be returning soon to speak to the children about stranger danger.

### **Water Safety**

Ripon Fire Brigade visited school this afternoon to talk to the children about the importance of water safety and how to keep safe near the river and the seaside.

### **Dr Krippner – Ripon Cathedral**

Tomorrow, Dr Krippner from Ripon Cathedral will be visiting school to speak to the children about what it is like to be a chorister and to see if any children would like to audition.

### **Parent / Carer Information Session – Reception children in September**

On Monday 26<sup>th</sup> June at 5pm we are holding a parent / carer information session for children who will be in Reception in September.

### **Macbeth**

We are looking forward to seeing Class 3 perform 'Macbeth' on Tuesday 27<sup>th</sup> June at 2pm and then at the later time of 6pm. For the evening performance, please can children return to school at 5.40pm.

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 on mobile phones or any other device at the performances – thank you.

**As the space in the hall is limited, please can I request that no more than 3 people from each family attend the performances – the children in school will have watched the dress rehearsal – thank you.**

### **Sports Day – Monday 3<sup>rd</sup> July at 1pm**

Our traditional Sports Day is on the afternoon of Monday 3<sup>rd</sup> July starting at 1pm.

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

Friends of Dishforth will be selling raffle tickets, refreshments and nearly new uniform after the event.



### **Special Menu – Friday 30<sup>th</sup> June 2023**

Please find attached details of our Seaside Special menu.



## **FEAST: Food. Entertainment. Arts. Sport. Together**

Please see the information below regarding the FEAST programme in North Yorkshire over the summer holidays.

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

*All children and young people across North Yorkshire can get involved in a range of sessions, with free places and a free lunch for those on benefits-related Free School Meals, thanks to funding from the Department for Education.*

*To see all the fantastic activities on offer and learn more about how to claim a free place, <https://northyorkshiretogether.co.uk/feast/>*

*There is so much to choose from – come and take a look at what’s on!*

The FEAST programme is provided by North Yorkshire Together, commissioned by North Yorkshire Council and funded by the Department for Education.

If you have any questions, please contact us at [hello@northyorkshiretogether.co.uk](mailto:hello@northyorkshiretogether.co.uk)

## **School Dinners - September**

We have been informed by County Caters that due to rising costs there will be a price increase on school dinners for children in Years 3-6 from September. The cost in September will be £3.13

Nursery meals will also increase to £2.10

## **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.**

## **PE Days**

**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.

## Vacancies

We currently have 2 vacancies, one is for a Breakfast Club Supervisor and the other is for an MSA, GTA & Afterschool Club Supervisor. If you know anyone who may be interested in either of these positions, please find attached more information. The closing date for both positions is the 30<sup>th</sup> June at 12pm and interviews will take place on Friday 7<sup>th</sup> July in the afternoon.

## 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 has continued to make super progress in their maths work. They are able to explain their thinking when answering maths questions – Well done Daniel!

**Class 1** – The ribbon for Class 1 this week goes to someone who has been working incredibly hard in maths They have really tried hard to understand tens and ones even though it was a challenge. They also went one step further and began supporting others to understand.

Amazing work Edmund!

**Class 2** – The ribbon this week goes to someone who has continued to show all of our school values through adversity. They have continued to have a smile on their face, work hard to overcome any issues and still be a helpful and cheery classmate. Well done to Florence!

**Class 3** – The ribbon is going to someone who asked thoughtful questions when having an assembly with our visitor, PCSO Liam Bradbury-Monk. They listened excellently throughout. Well done, Isla!

### 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 they have made friends with a lot of new people and have fitted right into our school.

The award goes to Hollie who was nominated by Dacian.

Well done, Hollie!

### 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 12<sup>th</sup> June 2023

EYFS	Class 1	Class 2	Class 3
98.3%	90.8%	98.4%	94%

Kind regards

J M Lyon

Executive Head Teacher

## Diary Dates

<b>June 2023</b>	
<b>20/6/23</b>	Dr Krippner, Director of Music, Ripon Cathedral
<b>23/6/23</b>	TRAINING DAY – SCHOOL IS CLOSED FOR THE DAY
<b>26/6/23</b>	Parent Information Session – Reception children in September 5pm
<b>27/6/23</b>	<b>CLASS 3 PRODUCTION OF MACBETH</b> <b>2pm and 6pm</b>
<b>July 2023</b>	
<b>3/7/23</b>	Afternoon – Sports Day 1pm
<b>4/7/23</b>	Class 1 visit to Ripon Cathedral
<b>5-7 July 23</b>	Boroughbridge High School transition days
<b>10-14 July 23</b>	Thirsk High School transition days
<b>10/7/23</b>	Reading Challenge assembly by Boroughbridge Library
<b>11/7/23</b>	PCSO Liam Bradbury-Monk – Stranger Danger talks
<b>13/7/23</b>	Whole school transition morning (TBC)
<b>17/7/23</b>	School Reports home (Alternative Sports Day if the 3 <sup>rd</sup> July is cancelled)
<b>18/7/23</b>	Class 2 visit to Ripon Museum
<b>19/7/23</b>	Year 6 Leavers' Assembly – afternoon
<b>20/7/23</b>	Year 6 Treat
<b>21/7/23</b>	Break-up for summer holidays at 2.30pm (no after school club)
<b>September 2023</b>	
<b>4/9/23</b>	TRAINING DAY
<b>5/9/23</b>	School open for the 2023-24 academic year
<b>October 2023</b>	
<b>27/10/23</b>	Break-up October half term

I will be in each school every day as follows:

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