



DISHFORTH C of E PRIMARY SCHOOL

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Dear Parents / Carers,

What a wonderful weekend of weather we have had! I hope you all managed to enjoy the beautiful sunshine. It looks like we are going to be having a warm week ahead as well so please can I remind everyone to ensure that your child/ren has a base coat of sunscreen on them before they come to school and do send in a bottle of sun cream with their name on to keep in school for these (hopefully) warm months ahead. Children also need a sunhat with them for break times – thank you.

I can't believe we are at the end of another half-term with only one more to go before the end of the academic year. We break up on Friday at the usual time of 3.15pm and, on behalf of the staff, we wish you a relaxing and enjoyable week off. We shall look forward to seeing everyone on Monday 5th June.

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 about butterflies. We have watched our class caterpillars build cocoons around themselves. We have looked at symmetry and made butterflies that have symmetrical wings. In maths we have learnt about doubling and have used the spots on the wings of butterflies to practise our doubling.

Class 1 – Class 1 have enjoyed another busy week. We have been writing our own stories about animals, learning about micro habitats, watching our bean and seed plants grow and much more! Year 1 children are learning about halves and quarters in their maths lessons and Year 2 have been telling the time. We are getting very good at naming the continents and oceans of the world and are starting to learn more about Australia. We have also been investigating how to cut and fold paper to make different types of feathers or wings that we might use when we make our bird models and we have learned how to prepare different fruits by peeling in different ways and cutting. We are very excited to plan, make and evaluate our layered fruit desserts next half term!

Class 2 – This week in Class 2 we loved travelling to Outwood school in Ripon to take part in the Multi-Sports festival. We loved taking part in different activities and competing against other schools. In Maths this week Year 3 have been working really hard at looking at addition and subtraction of fractions whilst year 4 have been working with money. Our literacy this week has been all about learning to write instructions, looking at imperative and sequencing verbs. We have really enjoyed computing this week where we began to create our own pieces of music using the Garage Band app on the I-pads. Our RE lesson looked into what the Pentecost meant and how the story has been represented in different cultures.

Class 3 - Class 3 have been busy this week, getting back to normal after the SATs last week. The children in Y5 are working on position and direction, reading coordinates and translating shapes on graphs. Y6 have been working through their shape booklet, using their key knowledge to support their understanding. In English, they have written a recount based on the short film 'Francis'. The children published their work and stained the background of their page - using tea - to make the writing look more authentic. In Clarinet, they were speeding up Hansel and Gretel, playing the piece of music at great speed. They are fantastic musicians! The children have revised French months, numbers and conversational features. In geography, they have created their own fact file about Spurn Point, showing how coastlines can change over time due to severe weather.

Class 3 Parents / Carers

Miss Ungerechts is holding a parent / carer information session tomorrow at 4pm with regards to the RSE curriculum which is being taught to Class 3 next half term. A letter was sent to families in Class 3 about this two weeks ago with further information on it.

National Curriculum Assessments

Year 1 Phonic Screen Check

Children in Year 1 will take the phonic screen check during the period week commencing 12th June. The outcome of this check is reported to parents by the end of the summer term.

Year 4 Multiplication Check

Children in Year 4 will take the national multiplication check in June during a two-week window commencing on the 5th 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.

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

As mentioned at the start of this week's newsletter, 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 – Fashion Show on Wednesday!



Fashion Show

Friends of Dishforth have organised a Ladies Fashion Show and Pop-up Shop which will take place on the 24th May 2023, please see leaflet attached for more information.

Numbers are limited so please buy your tickets as early as possible to avoid disappointment. Tickets will be on sale this week in the playground on Wednesday and Friday after school and on Friday morning at the front of the school.

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 shown a much more mature attitude towards all their learning. They have listened carefully and followed instructions well – Well Done Max!

Class 1 – The ribbon this week in class 1 goes to someone who has been working hard to use their phonics knowledge when writing. They have really improved their letter formation and try hard when writing. They also have great ideas for writing. Keep up the fantastic work

Edmund!

Class 2 – The ribbon this week goes to someone who has had a fantastic week. They have really knuckled down to all of their work and they have shown an increase in maturity. Their work in maths is going from strength to strength and they always come to school with a big smile on their face. Well done Lily!

Class 3 – The ribbon is going to someone for their courage in clarinet, offering to play solos to the class to help others hear how the music should sound. They can sometimes find this nerve-wracking and they still try their best to help others out. Well done to Lily A!

Values in Action

This week our Values Award goes to someone for demonstrating our school values of trust and compassion.



This person has been nominated because they have persevered in every lesson even though they have a broken arm.

The award goes to Florence who was nominated by Eliza.

Well done, Florence!

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 15th May 2023

EYFS	Class 1	Class 2	Class 3
95%	99%	98%	90%

Kind regards

J M Lyon

Executive Head Teacher

Diary Dates

May 2023	
23/5/23	Parents / carers of Class 3 children invited for information session with Miss Ungerechts on puberty resources 4pm
24/5/23	Friends of Dishforth – ladies Fashion Show and Pop-up Shop Dishforth Village Hall – door open at 7pm show starts at 7.30pm
26/5/23	Break-up May half term 3.15pm
June 2023	
5/6/23	School open Year 4 Multiplication Check window begins
9/6/23	Open the Book Collective Worship
12/6/23	Phonic Screen Check window
20/6/23	Dr Krippner, Director of Music, Ripon Cathedral
23/6/23	TRAINING DAY – SCHOOL IS CLOSED FOR THE DAY
26/6/23	Parent Information Session – Reception children in September 5pm
27/6/23	CLASS 3 PRODUCTION OF MACBETH 2pm and 6pm
28/6/23	Class 3 – Game of Actual Life Day
29/6/23	Year 5 Enrichment Day Thirsk School Day 2 cancelled Thirsk High School have cancelled this event.
July 2023	
3/7/23	Afternoon – Sports Day (time TBC)
4/7/23	Class 1 visit to Ripon Cathedral
5-7 July 23	Boroughbridge High School transition days
10-14 July 23	Thirsk High School transition days
13/7/23	Whole school transition morning (TBC)
17/7/23	School Reports home
19/7/23	Year 6 Leavers' Assembly – afternoon
20/7/23	Year 6 Treat
21/7/23	Break-up for summer holidays at 2.30pm (no after school club)
September 2023	
4/9/23	TRAINING DAY
5/9/23	School open for the 2023-24 academic year

October 2023	
27/10/23	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