

NEWSLETTER 15th November 2024

“Rooted and grounded in love”
Ephesians 3:17



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Headteacher's Message

This week, as every week, there has been a lot going on in school. On Monday the children marked Remembrance Day in school with a special collective worship that included a 2 minute silence together to remember fallen and serving members of the armed forces. On Tuesday year 5 & 6 welcomed our Police Liaison officer Martin Powell into school for the first time. He spoke to them about online safety and how to be safe and responsible online, including discussion on use of social media and messaging. I have also asked Martin to come to school on the evening of 11th December (6.30pm) to run a parent workshop on Online Safety. He will share the presentation and information that he went through with the children and there will also be an opportunity to discuss wider issues around online safety with you all. All parents are welcome and more information will be sent out nearer the time.

This term we are trialing a new approach to teacher-run extra-curricular clubs, by running them at lunchtimes instead of after school. This is to try and get a higher uptake from the children and more involvement in clubs. Last half term, despite choosing clubs that children had requested, we were disappointed with the take up. We are hopeful that if they do not clash with existing out of school commitments, clubs or activities, we might encourage a few more children to get involved. After the end of term we will review this and decide some next steps forward for next term. Lunchtime clubs include choir, recorders, board games and young leaders and will start next week and run for 5 weeks. Sporting Influence will continue to run on Monday nights as usual and is currently aimed at KS1 children.

Today was Children in Need and I am delighted to announce that we raised £163.50 through parent pay for this incredibly worthwhile cause. It was great to see everyone joining in in non-uniform and quite a few sets of Pudsey ears! My last bit of news is that next Wednesday morning, one of our music teachers who teaches brass (Mr Woodrow) is offering KS2 children a free 1:1 taster lesson. If you would like your child to take part then please let us know by booking a time at the office. We are always keen for more children in school to play an instrument.

What have we been learning this week?

EYFS

This week in Early Years we have been continuing our topic on people who help us. We have read the story of Six Dinner Sid and have learned all about the work of a vet. In English we have been writing CVC words. Our maths work has been looking at the numbers 4 and 5. We have all enjoyed Children in Need activities.

Class 1

Class 1 have had a great week making fabulous art. We have learned about the artist Molly Haslund and have been outside creating art using circles, have a look on the playground to see if you can spot some of our work! We have been working hard to improve our sentences by using adjectives in year 1 and using verbs in year 2. All of the children are enjoying making and describing different story settings.

Class 2

This week in Class 2 we have been learning all about remembrance. We have written diary entries as if we were soldiers on the front line in WW1 and we have researched the significance of the poppy for remembrance. In PE we have been learning about different dribbling techniques in Hockey and in History we investigated different animals that existed during the Stone Age. On Friday we loved having our own clothes day for Children in Need.

Class 3

Class 3 have begun learning about biographies in English, looking at Queen Victoria. In maths Y6 have begun learning about fractions and Y5 have finished their unit about multiplication and division. The children have created a research page in their sketch books about Louise Fili - graphic designer and typographer.



Stars of the Week

Celebrating our Success

The Values Award

EYFS	The star of the week is Erick. Erick has made super progress in his hand writing and in writing his name.
Class 1	The star this week for Class 1 goes to Max for his determination to be the best and to work hard. Max always listens carefully to instructions and is a shining example in class. Keep it up Max.
Class 2	The star this week goes to Celeste. Celeste has worked so hard this week on her independence and it has paid dividends. She has given great answers in whole class discussions.
Class 3	The star of the week this week is Harriet for her excellent behaviour in PE when doing tennis outside. She is always listening and has an excellent behaviour for learning.



Isabelle nominated Amelia for compassion because she is a good friend and she is always kind.

We are delighted to announce that we raised a huge **£133.58** for the Royal British Legion this year by buying poppies and poppy-related gifts. Thank you!



Attendance this week

EYFS	Class 1	Class 2	Class 3
92.98%	94.09%	99.43%	97.94%



Headlice!

We have had a report of headlice in school. Please check your child's head and also read and follow the NHS advice

[Head lice and nits – NHS](#)



I challenge you read this without itching!

Job Vacancy

We are currently looking for a new lunchtime supervisor. 5 days a week 12-1 to start asap. If you are interested or know someone that might be, then please call into the school office for more details or follow this link

[Midday Supervisory Assistant - Dishforth CE Primary School and Nursery](#)

Friday Celebration Assembly Class Sharing Dates

Friday 22 nd November	EYFS & Class 2
Friday 29 th November	Class 1 & Class 3

The gate at the KS2 side of school will open at 2.45 for parents and carers to make their way into the hall.

We look forward to welcoming you.

Christmas dates will be sent out to families next week.

Safeguarding

This week's National College 'Wake Up Wednesday' online safety attachment is about combatting online bullying.

Friends of Dishforth News

Have you sign up to take part in our Christmas 100 square? £5 a square, see Facebook or ask at the office for more details.

Sporting Influence Fixtures 2024/25

Please note that teams/children involved will be notified during the year. Our intention is that every child has the opportunity to take part in at least one event in each school year.

Date	Event
27th November 2024	EYFS, KS1 & KS2 Cross Country
30 th April 2025	EYFS & KS1 Multi Skills
4 th June 2025	Y3/4 & Y5/6 Striking Games
25 th June 2025	Y1/2 & Y3/4 Dodgeball
Finals	Cross Country – 22 nd January 2025 Striking & Fielding – 9 th July 2025



Class 2
families

Advent Calendars

27th November 2024

1.15pm till 3.15pm

Join your child for a festive afternoon to create your own personal advent calendar.

You will get to design & make your own advent calendar to take home and fill with your own choice of treats.



For more information on future activities, visit our website www.multiplinyorks.com or Facebook @multiplinyorks

If you need support

accessing your e Visa

HELP IS AVAILABLE

In North Yorkshire



For support, please ring North Yorkshire

Citizens Advice & Law centre on;

01748 902902

or email us at

pomoc@northyorksca.org.uk



Thank you!

Our non-uniform day for Pudsey
and Children in Need raised

£163.50