

NEWSLETTER 22nd November 2024

“Rooted and grounded in love”
Ephesians 3:17



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Headteacher's Message

This week Class 1 were delighted to welcome a former pupil back to school. Olivia Mulligan, children's author and poet, contacted school to offer a story telling session for her new children's book 'Reggie from the Hedgie'. The children thoroughly enjoyed sharing her story with her and she was incredibly impressed with how well behaved and "lovely" they were. A super afternoon for everyone.

If you live in the village you may have heard our whistles this morning as we had a whole school practice of our Lockdown procedure – what we would do to keep everyone safe indoors in the event of an emergency or dangerous situation on site. The children were absolutely fantastic at following instructions and moving around school calmly and sensibly.

On Tuesday our KS2 children had a visit from the Yorkshire Dales Rivers Trust and their Rivers2U mobile classroom. The children spent a very enjoyable day finding out about everything to do with rivers from the water cycle and how rivers work to wildlife habitats and natural flood management. It was a wonderful opportunity for them to enhance their learning in Geography and Science and was thoroughly enjoyed by all, despite the cold weather!

Tonight in book bags you will find a form to fill in and return to school next week regarding consent for photos and videos in school. I am aware it is a while since you have been asked about your preferences and with the re-launch of our school Facebook page and the need for updated photographs of school for the website, I want to be sure that we are only including children whose families are happy for us to do so. Thank you for your support with this, and if you are not following us on Facebook then please consider doing so. You can find us by searching for Dishforth CE Primary School.

Lastly, a polite request from Mrs Addinall in the office. Please can we have all bookings for breakfast and after school club by Friday 12pm at the latest for the following week? We have been having an increasing number of late bookings. Thank you.

What have we been learning this week?

EYFS

This week in EYFS we have enjoyed reading the book "Duck in a Truck". We have found rhyming words and played rhyming games. We have been exploring different materials and have helped dinosaurs escape from ice cubes. We used cornflour to make gloop and have thought of words to describe the gloop. In the craft area children have made some super trucks for duck.

Class 1

We've had another fun filled week in class 1 with lots of great learning. We have been sorting toys thinking about the age of the child that would play with them and why, experimenting with chalk pastels and different types of lines, explaining the basic needs of living things and writing our own stories. The highlight of the week was when Olivia Mulligan came in to read us her brand new story book "Reggie from the Hedgie". Olivia is a past pupil and was very excited to share her work with the children.

Class 2

In Class 2 this week we have been very busy. In English we have written information texts about how rocks are formed, drawing on our knowledge from our Science lessons earlier this term with Mrs McKelvey. We went swimming on Thursday where we continued to show good perseverance skills in learning to swim. On Friday in music we made our own compositions for the song "Let you spirit fly" using the glockenspiel

Class 3

Class 3 have been learning about the features of a biography, ready to write a biography about Queen Victoria next week. In maths, we have been doing fractions. The children have been studying Louise Fili- our artist in art and they have trialled creating their own typography cutting out card.



Stars of the Week

Celebrating our Success

The Values Award

EYFS	This week the ribbon goes to Tommy. Tommy always draws imaginative pictures in Drawing Club and can talk about his pictures with excitement and confidence.
Class 1	The ribbon this week for Class 1 goes to Zach. Zach always works hard in every lesson, haring his ideas, explaining his thinking and listening well to others. He is also making great progress in our phonics lessons and is working hard to read speedily. Keep up the great work Zach.
Class 2	The star this week goes to Matthew Wood. Matthew has had a fantastic week in school. His writing and maths work have been excellent as always, he has shown excellent times tables knowledge and he has even moved up a group in our swimming lessons! Well done Matthew.
Class 3	The star of the week is Xander for his excellent behaviour and effort in lessons.



Elodie nominated Ivy for perseverance because she never gives up and she is a good friend.

Attendance this week

EYFS	Class 1	Class 2	Class 3
81.22%	83.91%	98.18%	97.04%



Did you know?

Since the start of the new school year in September 44.5 days of learning have been lost by children at our school through term time holidays.

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 29 th November	Class 1 & Class 3
Friday 6 th December	EYFS & Class 2
Friday 13 th & 20 th December	No assembly

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.

Safeguarding

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

Friends of Dishforth News

Have you signed up to take part in our Christmas 100 square?

£5 a square, see Facebook or ask at the office for more details.

Each class has now been given a donation colour for the Christmas Fayre. Watch out for communication from the Friends to let you know your class's colours. Any donations of prizes will be gratefully accepted.

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

Christmas Dates

Wednesday November 27 th 1.15-3.15pm	Class 2 Maths Multiply Advent Calendar workshop
Thursday 12 th December 2.45pm	Christmas Fayre
Friday 13 th December afternoon (time to be confirmed)	Christingle Service at St James Church, Baldersby
Wednesday 18 th December	Christmas jumper day Christmas dinner in school
Thursday 19 th December 10.30am and 5.30pm	Whole School Nativity Performances EYFS & KS1 acting KS2 singing
Friday 20 th December	Christmas Party Day – wear party clothes
Friday 20 th December 2.30pm	Break up for Christmas NO AFTER SCHOOL CLUB



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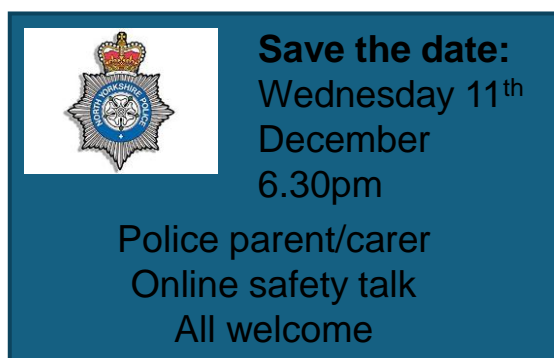
Advent Calendars
27th November 2024
1.15pm till 3.15pm

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.

Class 2 families

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



Save the date:
Wednesday 11th December
6.30pm

Police parent/carers
Online safety talk
All welcome