# NEWSLETTER 11th October 2024

"Rooted and grounded in love" Ephesians 3:17



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#### Headteacher's Message

It was fantastic to welcome Sowerby Music, Music for Life into school on Tuesday afternoon. They wowed the whole school with a performance of their wonderful melodic and calm singing and then led a very successful workshop with our Class 1 children. The children really enjoyed performing the songs they had practised all afternoon to parents and families at the end of the day. We are so lucky to have such enthusiastic musicians at Dishforth. Mrs Cawood has also been doing a fantastic job leading our brand new recorder group. I am hoping that you will get the chance to hear them as part of our Harvest Festival Assembly on the last day of the half term at the village hall.

I hope that your received my email yesterday regarding our After School Club. I would be incredibly grateful if you could find the time to complete the short questionnaire, so that we can find out of there is any demand for extending our hours. It will take less then 2 minutes to complete. Also, I hope that you have contacted the school office to book your parents evening appointments. We still have a number of slots left so please just get in touch with your preferred time frame.

This morning we had our first School Council meeting of the year. The children conducted a site safety walk and are starting to make a plan for how they can help our school become even better this year.

We were very luck to welcome Reverend Dianne Gamble into school to lead our Collective Worship on Monday. She spoke to the children about Black History Month and the importance of listening to different voices and their stories. Canon Matthew from Ripon Cathedral lead our worship on Wednesday and introduced the children to the idea of teaspoon (tsp) prayers. Thank you, sorry and please prayers.

What have we been learning this week?			
EYFS	Class 1		
This week in Early Years we have been learning about pumpkins. We have read the story "Pumpkin Soup". We have drawn pictures of the characters. We have explored pumpkins, using tweezers to remove the seeds. In Understanding the World we talked about the texture of different parts of the pumpkin. In maths we have been learning about patterns. We have made repeating patterns with natural materials and body movements.	We've had another busy week in Class 1 with lots of fun learning. Everybody has moved on to addition and subtraction in their maths lessons. Year 1 have been using part whole models to help them to understand how to add and subtract and Year 2 are learning about adding ones and adding tens to numbers using their place value tens and ones knowledge. In our science lesson we asked lots of questions about the rain and have planned some experiments to carry out next time it rains, so Class 1 will be very happy if (when) it rains next week!!!		
Class 2	Class 3		
This week in class 2 we have had a very busy week. In maths we have been looking at subtraction with exchanges. In DT we have designed a new KitKat after Katie from Nestle wrote us a letter asking for our ideas. In English we have looked at the features of a newspaper and looked at how we use speech in our writing.	Class 3 have had a lovely week this week learning more about Shackleton's journey and planning a persuasive letter in English. In computing, we have continued to design an art gallery on Sketch Up. The children have also set up an experiment to see if the size of a battery impacts the brightness of various light bulbs.		

# Celebrating our Success

Stars of the Week This week our star of the week is Hallie. Hallie always gives her very best and is working so hard learning her sounds. She listens very well and is always keen to answer questions. The Star this week in Class 1 is Daisy. Daisy has a fantastic attitude to her learning, she always gives 100% and is a Class 1 great role model. She also has an infectious smile. Keep being great Daisy!

This week our star is Samuel. Sam has worked so well this

enjoying his maths and his mood board in DT was fantastic.

week on all areas of the curriculum. He is particularly

The star of the week is Lara McCue for her excellent

#### The Values Award









Eliza has nominated Molly for compassion and respect for always being kind and respecting everyone.

### Attendance this week

**EYFS** 

Class 2

Class 3

EYFS	Class 1	Class 2	Class 3
82.2%	93.3%	92.4%	93.2%

behaviour and work ethic.

Friday Celebration Assembly Class Sharing Dates		
Friday 18 <sup>th</sup> October	Class 1 and 3	
Friday 25 <sup>th</sup> October	Harvest Festival Assembly at the Village Hall 2.30pm	

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

Attached to this newsletter are two parent/carer online safety advice sheets. They are produced by the National College every Wednesday 'Wake Up Wednesday'. This week is advice about In-Game Chat and Tips for Creating Family Rules for Using Devices.

#### Friends of Dishforth News Parent Pay is now live and ready to take your ticket booking for our amazing



## Friends of Dishforth



EVERYONE IS WELCOME

Come along and get involved. Find out more about how you can help our school!







# Are you interested in helping your child with their Maths?

Adult Learning North Yorkshire is offering a free online course, 'Supporting Your Child with Key Stage 2 Maths'.

Starting on Monday, 11th November, from 6:30 PM to 8:30 PM, this 6-week course is designed for parents and caregivers who wish to enhance their child's mathematical skills while also improving their own understanding of the subject.

#### Participants will:

- · Explore the current Key Stage 2 maths curriculum.
- Learn effective strategies to support their child's learning.
- · Engage with other parents in a collaborative environment.

To enrol, please visit the link: https://tinyurl.com/KeyStage2Maths11



# Dates for your diary

7.10.24	Collective worship led by Rev Dianne Gamble Flu Vaccinations	
8.10.24	Sowerby Music to visit school for KS1 workshop and KS1 parent performance at 2.50	
9.10.24	Collective worship led by Canon Matthew from Ripon Cathedral	
14.10.24	Parents evening	
16.10.24	Parents evening Year 5/6 Netball	
17.10.24	Friends of Dishforth AGM – School hall, end of the school day	
21.10.24	Collective worship led by Rev Dianne Gamble	
23.10.24	School photographs – individual and family	
25.10.24	Harvest Service in the Village Hall 2.30	
26.10.24	Friends of Dishforth Halloween disco	

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	Venue	
16th October 2024	Y5/6 Netball	Boroughbridge High	
27th November 2024	EYFS, KS1 & KS2 Cross Country Boroughbridge High		
30 <sup>th</sup> April 2025	EYFS & KS1 Multi Skills	i Skills Boroughbridge High	
4 <sup>th</sup> June 2025	Y3/4 & Y5/6 Striking Games	Boroughbridge High	
25 <sup>th</sup> June 2025	Y1/2 & Y3/4 Dodgeball	Boroughbridge High	
Finals	Football – 12 <sup>th</sup> November 2024 Netball – 13 <sup>th</sup> November 2024 Cross Country – 22 <sup>nd</sup> January 2025 Striking & Fielding – 9 <sup>th</sup> July 2025		