

# NEWSLETTER 25th October 2024

“Rooted and grounded in love”  
Ephesians 3:17



**Dishforth**  
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## Headteacher's Message

### Happy Half Term!

A huge thank you to everyone that came to our Harvest Festival Assembly this afternoon at the village hall. It was so very lovely to have the whole school community together in our village for the first time in a while. Our school hall is not big enough to host everyone, so it is really good that we can all (just about) fit into the village hall. It is always lovely to see the children sharing their work and talents with everyone and there was some fantastic work on show from Nursery all the way up to Year 6. Thank you also for the very generous contributions that everyone gave for the Ripon Community House foodbank. I am sure that they will be gratefully received. It has been a busy end to the half term with the Fire Service visiting on Thursday to speak to the children about Night time and Bonfire Safety, ahead of half term. Reverend Dianne led our Collective Worship on Monday and invited the children to think about the importance of prayer and reflection. On Wednesday afternoon Class 1 invited their parents and families into school in the afternoon to see their classroom and share their work. It was so nice to see some many families exploring the classroom, finding out about the provision that the children enjoy and seeing their learning in action. We hope to invite the parents of other classes into classrooms as the year goes on.

## What have we been learning this week?

### EYFS

This week in Early Years we have enjoyed reading the book "Not Now Bernard". We have been painting tractors and practicing our song for harvest. We enjoyed the visit from the Fire Brigade, and learned about how to keep safe on dark nights, at Halloween and Bonfire Night, as well as what happens if there is a house fire.

### Class 1

Class 1 had a fabulous time on their Geography field trip, putting into practise all of the geography skills that they had learned, following maps, collecting data and making their own maps and notes and it was such a treat to see so many parents and carers in the classroom celebrating all of the amazing work that the children have been doing.

### Class 2

This week in Class 2 we have had such a busy week. We have written harvest poetry in English. In Maths Year 4 have been looking at calculating area and Year 3 have been completing their work on addition and subtraction. On Wednesday afternoon, we completed our KitKat packaging for DT and in Computing we have finished our tessellating art work.

### Class 3

Class 3 we have had the fire department in to speak to us about keeping safe in the winter months. The children have also written persuasive letters to Shackleton in English. In computing we have finished designing our art galleries on SketchUp. The children have had a lovely end to the week, practising our Harvest Festival.

# Celebrating our Success



## Stars of the Week

<b>EYFS</b>	Our Star of the week is Rafi. Rafi, you have made super progress in your reading – learning your sounds and beginning to blend them. Well done Rafi!
<b>Class 1</b>	The Star this week for Class 1 goes to Jace. Jace is such a wonderfully happy part of our class. He works methodically through his work and always tries hard. He is so happy when he completes a challenge that he has set for himself. Keep up the great work Jace.
<b>Class 2</b>	The Class 2 star this week goes to Polly. Polly is a shining example of all of our school values. She works hard, she supports others and is a great friend. This week she has worked very hard on her poem and prayer for this afternoon. Well done Polly.
<b>Class 3</b>	The star of the week is Amelia for her contribution to our RE debate about creation vs science. She argued her point excellently in front of the class and seemed to enjoy taking part.

## The Values Award



Charlie nominated Holly for respect because at breaktime she always checks that other people are ok and she is a great friend.

### Breakfast Club

Just a little reminder that we stop serving breakfast at breakfast club at 8.15

## Attendance this week

EYFS	Class 1	Class 2	Class 3
89.93%	98.07%	89.92%	99.18%



## Safeguarding

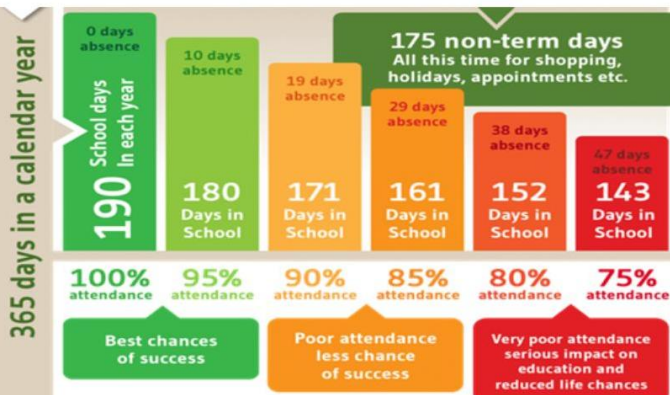
This week's National College 'Wake Up Wednesday' online safety attachments are on a Halloween theme. 'Screen Zombies' and 'Horror Films and Age Ratings'

## Friends of Dishforth News

A big thank you to everyone who has supported our Halloween disco and Pumpkin Trail.

## 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.



**DID YOU KNOW?** A two week holiday in term time means that the highest attendance you can achieve is 94.7%

## Friday Celebration Assembly Class Sharing Dates

Friday 8 <sup>th</sup> November	EYFS & Class 2
Friday 15 <sup>th</sup> November	Class 1 & Class 3
Friday 22 <sup>nd</sup> November	EYFS & Class 2
Friday 29 <sup>th</sup> 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.

Date	Event
27th November 2024	EYFS, KS1 & KS2 Cross Country
30 <sup>th</sup> April 2025	EYFS & KS1 Multi Skills
4 <sup>th</sup> June 2025	Y3/4 & Y5/6 Striking Games
25 <sup>th</sup> June 2025	Y1/2 & Y3/4 Dodgeball
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