

“Rooted and grounded in love”
Ephesians 3:17



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Headteacher's Message

We have had a super start to the new school year and it has been lovely to welcome all the familiar faces back after the Summer break. We have also enjoyed welcoming all our new families into our school community. It has been fantastic to see lots of smiling faces and friendships made and renewed as we settle into our new class teams.

There have been a few changes this term to help things run a little more smoothly. PE kits are to be in school every day, this Newsletter will go out on Fridays from now on and Class 1 are to come straight into school each morning instead of lining up. We have also replaced our ribbon award with a 'Star of the Week'. Children will be chosen who have shone in their classes throughout the week and they will receive a sticker and certificate in our Celebration Assembly each Friday afternoon.

I also wanted to let you know that our lovely Mrs McBride, who runs our school office so efficiently, is leaving us for a new opportunity. Her last day will be Tuesday 17th September. She will be sorely missed and I would like to take this opportunity to thank her for all her amazing work at our school over the last three years and wish her well for the future. We are currently recruiting for her replacement. If you are interested or know anyone who might be, then please look on the North Yorkshire Council jobs website or contact the school office for more information.

We are in the process of putting together diary dates for this term. As soon as the list is finalised, I will share this with you.

What have we been learning this week?

EYFS

We have had a fabulous time settling back into Early Year this week. It has been lovely seeing the children happily playing with old and new friends. We have been busy learning our routines and rules, as well as looking at our emotions using the book "The Colour Monster". The children have spent lots of time exploring the classroom and the activities available to them.

Class 1

We have had a wonderful first week in Class 1, everyone is settling in really well and enjoying the new classroom layout and learning. Everyone is working really hard to listen and try their hardest. The reading area in our classroom has proved very popular with lots of children enjoying reading their favourite stories and making up their own stories using the story telling materials.

Class 2

Welcome back to Autumn term! We have a very busy term ahead. This week we have been getting back into the swing of things and getting to know each other. In Maths we have been working with numbers up to 100 and 1000 and in English we have written poetry all about our school. In Geography we have looked at land use in our local area and in DT we have begun looking at different nets and shell structures.

Class 3

Class 3 have had a wonderful week back at school! We have welcomed the new children into our class and got to know each other a little already. The children have begun their new topics, learning about world trade and economics in geography and playing some different trading games. In RE, we started to learn about Creation vs Science and found out what we already know about these different perspectives. In English the children have written beautiful poems about our school that will be displayed. We have learnt about place value in maths and really started to warm our brains up after the summer break!



Celebrating our Success

Stars of the Week

EYFS	Ava you have come back to school with a super attitude and have been very kind to the new children in the class. Well done!
Class 1	The star for Class 1 this week goes to Jax who has been an excellent role model for the children new to Class 1. He has been showing everyone how to use the areas, how to tidy up really well and has produced some excellent independent work already! Keep up the great work Jax!
Class 2	The star in class 2 this week is Penelope. She has come back with a fantastic attitude to learning and is really keen to impress. Well done Nellie!
Class 3	Layla is our star of the week for her determination in her Maths and English this week and setting a fantastic example as a Year 6.

The Values Award



Charlie nominated Seb for respect. In class he is always helpful, welcoming and a great friend. Thank you Seb.

Attendance this week

EYFS	Class 1	Class 2	Class 3
92.7%	96.6%	96.7%	98.04%



Friday Celebration Assembly Class Sharing Dates

Friday 13 th September	EYFS & Class 2
Friday 20 th September	Class 1 and 3
Friday 27 th September	EYFS & Class 2
Friday 4 th October	Class 1 and 3
Friday 11 th October	EYFS & Class 2
Friday 18 th October	Class 1 and 3
Friday 25 th October	EYFS & Class 2

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.

Punctuality

Please make sure that your child is in school on time before the gates close.

Every minute counts!

PSHE Scheme



This year we have invested in a new PSHE scheme of learning called '1decision'. It will be launched in school to all classes next week.

If you would like to find out more, then please visit the Parent/Carer Zone on their website

www.1decision.co.uk/resources/parent-carer-zone

Parents/Carers of children in Reception

Assessment

Over the next few weeks our reception children will be working with Mrs Chaplin on their Reception Baseline Assessments. There is more information about this on our website under 'About Us' and 'Curriculum'. There is also a parent leaflet from the DfE attached to this newsletter. If you have any questions, please just ask Mrs Chaplin.

Phonics

Mrs Chaplin will be holding an information session for parents and carers of children in Reception on Friday 20th September, at 2:30 pm in the EYFS classroom. This session will help you to develop an understanding of what phonics is, and will share information about how we teach phonics in our school and how parents and carers can support their children at home.

Safeguarding

Attached to this newsletter is an online safety advice sheet produced by the National College.

This week is advice about 'QR Code Scams'.

We have updated our 'Safeguarding' page on the school website, please have a look under the 'About Us' tab.

Friends of Dishforth News

Don't forget to sign up for the Asda rewards app to help raise money for school. If you have any family or friends that shop at Asda, please ask them to select our school for the Asda Rewards. Thank you!

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