

“Rooted and grounded in love”
Ephesians 3:17



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Headteacher’s Message

As part of our extra-curricular club offer, Mr Duffy has been working with some children from KS2 at lunchtimes to start a school blog. They are starting by interviewing the adults in school so that you can get to know them a bit better. I had the pleasure of being interviewed by them last week and you can see their finished blog on our school website [Our Blog < Dishforth Church of England Primary School](#) or by looking under the ‘Children’ tab.

Next Friday is Valentine’s Day and we are having one of our special lunches in school to celebrate. The menu is on page 3 of this newsletter. Even if your child does not usually have a school dinner, they are welcome to on that day. All they have to do is tell their teacher that morning. Unless your child is entitled to free school meals then the cost will be £3.28 per meal.

I also wanted to give a quick reminder that children should not be on site before 8.40am unless they are in breakfast club. There have recently been a lot of KS2 children arriving very early and also unaccompanied by adults. If you walk your KS2 child to school please stay with them until the classroom doors open. And finally, some lovely news. As some of you may already know, Miss Ungerechts has given birth to a beautiful baby boy. Mum and baby are both doing really well. We are all absolutely delighted and I am sure that you will all join with me in wishing her and her family very many congratulations!

What have we been learning this week?

EYFS

[Link to website class page](#)

This week in early years we have been learning the story of the Hare and the Tortoise. Reception children have written simple sentences all about hare. In maths, nursery children have been counting and subitising up to 5 and reception children have been learning about doubling number (up to double 5). We have all been learning about animals who live in habitats different to or locality. We have learned about animals who live in the desert and animals who live in the jungle. We have made our own desert in the sand tray.

Class 1

[Link to website class page](#)

Class 1 have had a super week focussing on using the classroom provision well and challenging themselves to complete the activities in the different areas. Everyone has enjoyed collecting as many challenge sticks as they can and has been very proud of all that they have achieved. Keep up the great work class 1!

Class 2

[Link to website class page](#)

We have had a fantastic week in Class 2 this week. In English we have recapped our learning on speech and conjunctions. In Maths we have continued our work with fractions and in Science we looked at what constituted a circuit and learnt about the symbols that represent items in a circuit. We have loved DT this week where we have been able to put our prior learning into place and we have built our own pneumatic toys. There have been lots of interesting and well executed designs!

Class 3

[Link to website class page](#)

Class 3 have had a very busy week. Year 6 have been showcasing their learning by completing a set of SATS practice papers. Meanwhile Year 5 have had a week focused on multiplication and fractions to boost their Maths fluency. We have also finished our computing topic by learning about substitution ciphers.

Please follow this link to our website to find out about our curriculum [Website Curriculum Page](#)



Celebrating our Success

Stars of the Week

EYFS	This week the star is Erick. Erick has thought really carefully about the answers he gives during our RE lesson and has shown real empathy with others in our PSED lesson – well done Erick!
Class 1	The star for class 1 this week is Emini. Emini is a super star because of her dedication to her work. She makes great use of the provision areas and has worked particularly hard in the DT area sewing some fabulous and creative things. Keep up the great work Emini!
Class 2	The star in class 2 this week goes to Richard. Richard has shown a level of maturity to his work this week and has shown good progress throughout. He has particularly enjoyed DT this week when he made a fantastic pneumatic toy!
Class 3	Star of the week is Eliza - for always working hard, being ready and respectful and for being a great example of expected behaviour in the SATS practices.

The Values Award



This week Holly and Molly have nominated Mia for respect because she has settled into school very nicely and is a good friend to be around. Well done Mia!

Attendance this week

EYFS	Class 1	Class 2	Class 3
95.29%	96.14%	98.99%	95.63%



Safeguarding

Attached this week is our Knowsley City Learning Centre's February Newsletter.

Did you know?

Mrs Lacey is our Designated Safeguarding Lead and Mrs Chaplin is our Deputy Designated Safeguarding Lead.

Unwanted baby toys?



We need donations to help set up our new parent and pre-school 'Tiddlers' Stay and Play group on Tuesday afternoons.

Please bring any donations to the school office.

Friday Celebration Assembly Class Sharing Dates

14 th February	EYFS and Class 2
28 th February	Class 1 and Class 3
7 th March	EYFS and Class 2
14 th March	Class 1 and Class 3

The gate at the KS2 side of school will open at 2.40.

We look forward to welcoming you.



Don't forget...

Your chance to help shape the future vision and values of our school

Thursday 13th February 2.30pm in the school hall.

THANKYOU!



To the Friends of Dishforth for their amazing fundraising and to everyone who has joined in and attended events.

We are so lucky to have just received all this new equipment to keep us busy at break and lunchtimes. Thank you!



COMMUNITY WELLNESS HUBS

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What do they offer?

- Free 45 minute face to face, telephone or on-line appointments free of charge with a female support worker from The Wellness Gateway and a follow up appointment if needs be
- A chance to identify and express any worries
- Support & signposting
- Monthly sessions on Tuesdays 1-3pm at Dishforth CE Primary School

Next session Tuesday 11th February.
Email for a free, completely confidential 1:1 session focused on supporting your wellness.

How do I book?

Drop a quick email to community@thewellnessgateway.org and one of our team will respond to tell you what appointments are available.

Terms & Conditions

All appointments need to be pre-booked in advance by email, sessions are only on designated days and confidentiality does not extend past any safeguarding concerns of The Wellness Gateway staff. The sessions are independent of your child's school and funded by North Yorkshire Council.

The Wellness Gateway are a registered charity and our website is:
www.thewellnessgateway.org if you would like to find out more about us.