

“Rooted and grounded in love”  
Ephesians 3:17



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## Headteacher's Message

We've had another busy week in school. On Wednesday three children from Class 3, Kingsley, Will and Charlie led our Collective Worship on the theme of Respect and treating others as you want to be treated yourself. It was a great success and we look forward to the next child-led worship in a fortnight. We have recently put up all new hall displays showcasing some fantastic work that the children in each class have produced. Please see page 3 for photographs, I know that not everyone can get into school easily to see them.

As part of our School Development Plan we are looking to review and update our whole school vision, values and logo. To do this I am asking all members of our school community for their thoughts and ideas about what our school stands for and aspires to. I have already started this process with the children in Class 3.

To give parents and carers an opportunity to contribute I would like to invite you to a workshop on the afternoon of Thursday 13<sup>th</sup> February at 2.30pm in the school hall. Everyone is welcome. At this workshop we will be working together to share ideas, discuss our existing vision and values and start to come up with ideas for the future, thinking carefully about what we might want to stay the same and what we might want to change. If you can't attend you can still get involved, I will be sending out a Parents/Carers questionnaire asking for written feedback too. To read our current vision and values, please have look on our school website.

[Our School Vision and Values < Dishforth Church of England Primary School](#)

## What have we been learning this week?

### EYFS

[Link to website class page](#)

This week in Early Years we have been reading the story of Chicken Licken. We have used puppets to retell the story, using the repeated phrases. In maths we have been learning about the number 4 in nursery and adding and taking 1 in Reception. We have looked at the composition of 8 by playing skittles and seeing how many we can knock down. In art we have been setting up our own still lifes, after looking at art work by Cezanne.

### Class 1

[Link to website class page](#)

Class 1 have had a great week learning all about pirates, what they look like, what they do and what they are like. We read the book "The Pirates Next Door" and found out that pirates are not always as they seem. We have also been working hard on our sewing skills, this week we used our plans to make templates and cut out our puppet shapes. Next week it will be on to the sewing!!! In maths Year 2 have begun learning about multiplication and division and have loved making arrays and Year 1 have been improving their addition and subtraction skills by counting on and back and using their number bond knowledge

### Class 2

[Link to website class page](#)

We have had another busy week in class 2. In our reading sessions we have finished reading our whole class text of The Butterfly Lion by Michael Morpurgo. We have written book reviews and discussed the themes and questions considered in the story. In Geography this week we completed our work on comparing the UK and Italy and in DT we planned our pneumatic builds. In PE we tried out vaulting and in Science we looked at electric currents.

### Class 3

[Link to website class page](#)

Class 3 have had a busy week, exploring maps and scale in geography and continuing computing with Caesar Ciphers. Year 5 have also completed their multiplication topic and are returning to fractions, whilst Year 6 have moved onto algebra. In English we have started exploring character descriptions and reinforcing our knowledge of conjunctions.

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



# Celebrating our Success

## Stars of the Week

<b>EYFS</b>	The star of the week is Meredith. Meredith has been a super friend to others, showing kindness at all times. She is always willing to have a go at new activities and is working really hard with her maths works.
<b>Class 1</b>	The star for class 1 this week is Wilfrid. Wilfrid is an absolute super star because he works so hard all of the time. He always sets a fantastic example and produces fabulous work in the provision areas. Keep up the great work Wilfrid!
<b>Class 2</b>	The star of the week in Class 2 goes to Bobby Flint. Bobby has worked ever so hard this week and has absolutely blown us away with his work on improper fractions and mixed numbers.
<b>Class 3</b>	Star of the week is Tyrell - For always being ready, focusing on his work and showing respect to everyone in the classroom.

## The Values Award



This week Isabelle has nominated Ivy-Bo for compassion for being a good friend and for always being there when she needs her.

## Attendance this week

EYFS	Class 1	Class 2	Class 3
96.84%	87.02%	97.98%	96.71%



## Safeguarding

Attached this week is the 'Wake Up Wednesday' guide to Setting Boundaries around Gaming.

## Baby toys

Do you have any good condition baby toys that you no longer need?



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.

This term we are having a focus on reducing the number of children that are late. **The gates close at 8.50. Please make sure that your child is in school before this.** This means that we can get the registers done promptly and start learning at 9.00. Thank you.

## Friday Celebration Assembly Class Sharing Dates

7 <sup>th</sup> February	Class 1 and Class 3
14 <sup>th</sup> February	EYFS and Class 2
28 <sup>th</sup> February	Class 1 and Class 3
7 <sup>th</sup> March	EYFS and Class 2
14 <sup>th</sup> 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.

# THANKYOU!



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

More news next week on how your fundraising is being used in school...

We are so lucky to have just received five new iPads for our younger children to use. Thank you!



Look at our wonderful new hall displays.

We're so proud of the children's work.



# FEB HALF TERM CAMP



- BOROUGHBIDGE HIGH SCHOOL
- TUESDAY 18TH FEBRUARY
- AGES 4 TO 6YRS – 10AM TIL 12PM
- AGES 7 TO 14YRS – 10AM TIL 3PM
- £10 MORNING / £25 DAY

Sign up for a day of netball this half term. Prizes up for grabs & certificates for all. Get your trainers on & join us!



## COMMUNITY WELLNESS HUBS

SERVING THE COMMUNITY

WWW.THEWELLNESSGATEWAY.ORG

### 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

### How do I book?

Drop a quick email to [community@thewellnessgateway.org](mailto:community@thewellnessgateway.org) and one of our team with 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.

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

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



# About the Multiply Family Numeracy programme

Year 2  
Parents/Carers

- The Multiply Family Numeracy programme is an exciting new 12-hour family learning programme commissioned by the Department for Education.
- The Family Numeracy programme will be part of a trial; it is designed to support Department for Education research into how family learning classes can help adults build confidence in their numeracy skills when they learn with their children in the classroom.
- It is for families who currently have children in Year 2 (Key Stage 1) and who can attend 6 weeks of hour-long lessons in person and take part in 6 hours of home activities. Half of the schools involved will have the sessions in the Spring term 24/25 (Y2) and the other half will have them in the Autumn term 25/26 (Y3).
- It will help your child learn in a playful way, help you with your confidence in Maths, and generate evidence that will help other children and families.
- It is completely free to take part. Schools who sign up 8 or more eligible parents will receive £500 later in the school year to spend on maths equipment.
- Lesson content includes:
  - Number through Number Gardens and Timeline Crowns
  - Space, Shape and Measure through Super Shapes and Angle Eaters
  - Statistics and Data Collection through Colour Your Day and Learning Clocks



## What is our family commitment?

All you need to do is:

- Be available to join an hour's lesson each week for 6 weeks.
- Be ready for some learning with adults and then trying out some activities with your child.
- Be able to complete another activity at home with your child to practice what you tried together at that week's lesson.
- Be ready to complete optional surveys and interviews regarding your experience with a researcher.

## How do I take part?

Do you tick these boxes?

- Aged 19+ years
- Do not have a Level 2 qualification in maths (e.g. you don't have GCSE Maths)/ you do have GCSE maths but you are not confident in maths
- Have a child in Key Stage 1 Year 2
- Have not taken part in a family numeracy programme before

If yes, please complete this quick form by scanning the QR code or visit this link and send the form to your school

Or speak to Mr Duffy our Maths Subject Leader

