## NEWSLETTER 19th September 2025

"Rooted and grounded in love" Ephesians 3:17



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## Headteacher's Message

Last week Class 3 were lucky enough to have a visit from a local artist, organised by Mrs Chester. Please have a look on the last page of this newsletter for more information, written by two of our Year 6s. Thank you to everyone who was able to attend Mrs Chaplin's Phonics meeting today. We know that not everyone can come to school during the day, so if you would like to see the presentation she shared you can find it on our website About Us – Curriculum – English – RWI Parent Workshop Powerpoint or follow this link PowerPoint Presentation. If you have any questions then Mrs Chaplin is always happy to help. I want to thank Vicky for all her hard work in the office getting the handover to Arbor sorted out. I know that there have been issues for a few families and she is doing her best to get everyone the access that they need. We now have more than 82% of families who have successfully logged in. If you have any problems with Arbor then please drop her an email at admin@dishforth.n-yorks.sch.uk and she'll get it sorted as soon as possible for you.

And lastly, just a little request. Please can you make sure that your child brings a coat to school with them every day. The weather is very changeable at the moment and we are keen to get the children outside as much as possible. Just because they don't need a coat first thing in the morning doesn't mean that they won't by lunchtime. Thank you!

## What have we been learning this week?

#### **EYFS**

Link to website class page - Now updated for Sept '25

What a busy week we have had in Early Years! We have enjoyed talking about the different zoo animals you can find in the book Dear Zoo, and have talked about which animal we would like to be sent – monkeys were very popular. In maths Nursery have continued to learn about colours and Reception have been making rules for sorting objects. We have learned about our hands and feet in Science and have made handprints which we then used for measuring each other.

### Class 1

Link to website class page - Now updated for Sept '25

Class 1 have really been enjoying getting to grips with the provision in the classroom this week. Everyone has been enjoying trying out the different challenges and everyone has tried something new. In our maths work Year 1 children have been learning how to write the numbers correctly and year 2 have been partitioning numbers into their tens and ones. We all enjoyed going outside to explore and collect interesting things just like the artists that we learned about and have had great fun arranging all of the items we collected.

#### Class 2

<u>Link to website class page</u> – **Now updated for Sept '25** 

We have had another great week in Class 2. We have particularly enjoyed our Science lesson, where we checked which type of liquid was best to clean old coins. In Maths, we have been comparing and ordering numbers and In English we have looked in great detail at different clause types, being careful to use the correct conjunctions and punctuation. In PE we worked on communication and passing as blindfolded footballers and in Art, Mr Duffy set up scenes in the classroom for us to make up stories about and draw.

#### Class 3

Link to website class page - Now updated for Sept '25

Class 3 have been learning all about light in science, completing a mini experiment about light travelling in straight lines. In art, they have deigned different fonts, ready to add to their packaging next week. The children have learned about water safety in PSHCE watching a video and discussing important safety information about water.

Please follow this link to our website to find out about our curriculum Website Curriculum Page

## Stars of the Week

## **Celebrating our Success**

EYFS	This week the star is Ivy. Ivy has made a super start to Reception and is a kind friend to everyone. She tries so hard with everything she does – well done Ivy!		
Class 1	The Star for Class 1 this week goes to Esme for amazing writing. She always works so hard during writing lessons and is so excited by writing. Keep up the great work Esme.		
Class 2	This week's star in Class 2 is Thomas Turner. Tom has had a fantastic week this week. He has been extremely respectful in class and has shown a real maturity to his learning, being a great role model to the rest of the class.		
Class 3	Star of the week this week is Bobby Flint because of his ambition in class always putting a lot of effort into his maths work.		

## The Values Award









This week Daisy nominated Will for perseverance because he is such a good friend and he never gives up. Well done Will!

## Attendance this week

EYFS	Class 1	Class 2	Class 3
97.14%	98.08%	97.37%	98.4%
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# Safeguarding Please find attached a 'Wake up Wednesday' guide – Top tips for setting boundaries around gaming

Key Dates for this half term	Friday Celebration Assembly Class Sharing Dates	
Year 5&6 Sporting Influence Football	26 <sup>th</sup> September	Class 1 and Class 3
<b>Festival –</b> Wednesday 24 <sup>th</sup> , 1 team only	3 <sup>rd</sup> October	EYFS and Class 2
Parents Evenings – Monday 13th October &	10 <sup>th</sup> October	Class 1 and Class 3
Thursday 16 <sup>th</sup> October	17 <sup>th</sup> October	EYFS and Class 2
Individual and family photographs – Wednesday 22 <sup>nd</sup> October	24 <sup>th</sup> October	Harvest Assembly
Harvest Assembly – Friday 24 <sup>th</sup> October 2pm at the village hall (doors will open at 1.50pm).	The gate at the KS2 side of school will open at 2.40. We look forward to welcoming you.	



Could you donate some Spring bulbs?

There is a basket in the front entrance, any contributions would be very gratefully received.

















## Year 6 Visit from an artist

Caroline came in and showed us how she has created lots of very colourful creative designs for Smarties Easter eggs and many more!

She also showed us her art pieces which were very impressive. After that we were all going around looking at different art pieces.

Then she shared some inspiration and said that it doesn't matter if you scribble at first because it can always get better, which everyone found very helpful.

By Alex S and Charlie (Year 6)



