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Dear Parents / Carers

I hope you had a relaxing weekend and managed to stay warm in the frosty weather!

Class News

Every week the classes will share the highlights of what they have been learning about with our families:

EYFS – This week in EYFS, we have enjoyed learning about The Gingerbread Man. We have made a story map and retold the story. We designed our Gingerbread Man using different materials. We have explored floating and sinking with different objects and made our own boat to take the Gingerbread Man across the river. In maths we have learned about mass and length. We enjoyed finding lots of small, short objects to fit in a small box.

Class 1 – In class 1 this week, we have explored the story Man on the Moon. We have answered questions using the text and have designed posters to make sure that the astronauts pick up their rubbish! In art, we have developed our drawing skills and children have created their own character! In science we have investigated a tally chart which material is the most common in our classroom and in our homes.

Class 2 – In Class 2 this week we have continued our learning on Multiplication and Division, looking at increasingly tricky questions and looking at multiplying more than 2 numbers. In our English work we have looked at instructional writing, descriptive writing and some free writing, all around the theme of our class text Charlotte's Web. We have had great fun joining in with the Joe Wicks workouts this week and we learned all about how particles behave in solids, liquids and gases in Science. In our History learning we investigated all about the roles of the armed forces and learned all about what an infantryman would carry during WW2. In RE this week we looked at why the Bible is widely read around the world. We also enjoyed meeting up together on our Google meet on Friday!

Class 3 – Class 3 have been reading more from our joint reading book and writing a diary extract from the point of view of the main character, Maia. We have been investigating climate zones and what weather to expect in different places in America. We adapted last week's science investigation using paper seed models and adjusted the size variable, taking care to keep all the others the same. We compared mosques and churches in RE, looked at animal names in French and experimented with drumming rhythms in music.

COVID Testing in Primary Schools for school staff

COVID testing for primary school staff begins this week as part of a national testing programme. Staff are to be tested twice a week using the lateral flow test. Please be mindful that if there is a positive case, then bubbles of children in school would need to isolate if they have been a contact. If this does occur, there would be very little notice given to families.

Healthy Minds website

Please find a link to the Go To website newsletter which provides some useful information about the 'healthy minds' website for North Yorkshire for young people, professionals and parents/carers

As part of the development of the website they have developed 3 short 'walkthrough' videos to help you have a greater understanding of the website and how to navigate more easily through The Go-To website. Each video guides you through a different sections of the website. You can take a look at the videos <u>here</u>.

There are short videos about:

- The home page
- The young peoples' pages (this would be good to share / promote with secondary aged young people)
- The parents / professionals page (this may be good to signpost both staff and parents/carers to watch to increase their understanding of what the website can offer)

Welcome to The Go-To Newsletter

Click here to view the January edition of the newsletter.



Spring Term Menu

Please note that on week 3 of the menu, on a Wednesday it is Minced Beef in gravy and Yorkshire Pudding, not Roast Beef. A copy of the Spring Term dinner menu is on the school website:

https://dishforth.n-yorks.sch.uk/wp-content/uploads/2021/01/Dishforth-Spring-Term-Menu-2021.pdf

Celebration Assembly

The following children have been awarded our weekly ribbons;



<u>Ribbons</u>

EYFS – The ribbon this week goes to someone who has a super attitude in everything they do and especially for her work in Maths. Well done, Daisy!

Class 1 – This week the ribbon goes to someone who has worked really hard and demonstrated a fantastic attitude in Maths – well done, Casey!

Class 2 – This week the ribbon goes to someone who has shown an excellent attitude towards their learning throughout lockdown. Well done, Ava!

Class 3 – The ribbon this week goes to someone for their super investigating in science, clear results and a thoughtful conclusion. Well done, Lola!

Kind regards

J M Lyon

Head Teacher

Diary Dates

February	
12/2/21	Break-up half term

I will be in each school every day as follows:

Day	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Morning	Dishforth	Dishforth C of E	Dishforth	Dishforth C of E	Dishforth
	Airfield	Primary	Airfield	Primary	Airfield
Afternoon	Dishforth C of E	Dishforth	Dishforth C of E	Dishforth	Dishforth C of E
	Primary	Airfield	Primary	Airfield	Primary