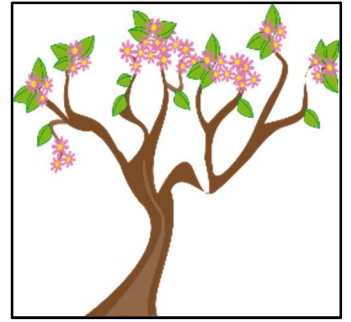




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Dear Parents / Carers

We have been lucky to have another beautiful weekend with regards to the weather and I hope you had a lovely couple of days. Sadly, the sunshine looks like it is leaving us for a while so please ensure your child has a coat with them this week and also just a reminder that school is closed next Monday for the Bank Holiday weekend.

Class News

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

EYFS – This week we have continued to look at our book about Anna Hibiscus. We have looked at all the things that make Anna happy and have written our own class song about happiness. We have thought about people who are special to us and make us happy and have written about these people. In maths we have been reading and ordering numbers to twenty and have been saying what is one more and one less. We have practised using a keyboard to type tricky words.

Class 1 – Class 1 have begun reading their new book *The Secret Sky Garden*. Using this book, children have considered why littering is bad for the environment. We have used secondary sources to collect information and have learnt how to write a range of sentence types. In Science, children have explored the school grounds to answer the question: What is the most common tree in our school? Children have used identification sheets to support them in naming trees. In PSCE, we have begun learning about how to take part in a debate.

Class 2 – This week in Class 2 we have been writing letters home from the front line in WW2. We have read letters written by real soldiers at the time and taken inspiration from them. Our maths learning this week has been all about decimals. In science this week we investigated whether different items around the classroom were conductors or insulators of electricity. We have enjoyed developing our throwing, catching and striking skills in PE and in RE we have looked at how different religions see life as a journey.

Class 3 – In Class 3 this week, we have been rewriting our own versions of our class book, 'The Princesses' Blankets' and some of us have altered the ending to make it more satisfying. In science, we have been refreshing our knowledge about rocks and in French we have been learning how to talk and write about our hobbies. In maths, we have continued to draw and measure angles. So far, we have enjoyed learning two of our eight songs for our Macbeth musical: 'Sonic Battle' which is a steady march with a rap and 'Destiny', which is a pop anthem with a chant.

Request for unwanted mobiles

In order to further enhance our learning, we would like to explore the possibility of creating some VR headsets for use in the classroom. To do this, we will require a number of used/unwanted mobile phones - these do not have to function as a phone (the SIM card must be removed for security/privacy purposes, as will any personal details etc), but the phone must be able to connect to the internet. If you have an old mobile phone and you feel able to donate it to school, then please leave it in the box, situated just outside the front entrance to school.

Library Donations

A huge thank you to everyone who has supported the development of our school library so far. I'm delighted to say that we are now in a position to purchase a system to catalogue the books. This system also has a bar code scanner and will track who has which book when the library becomes operational.

We still have quite a way to go with this project however we are getting closer! If any families would like to support this project directly, then please get in touch with us for further information at: admin@dishforth.n-yorks.sch.uk

Celebration Assembly

The following children were awarded our weekly ribbons just before the Easter break;



Ribbons

EYFS – The ribbon this week goes to someone for a super piece of writing about a special person, using full stops and capital letters correctly. Well done, Samuel!

Class 1 – This week the ribbon goes to someone for fantastic explanations in Maths and Grammar lessons. Well done, Seb!

Class 2 – This week the ribbon goes to someone who has worked incredibly hard at her decimals work and also for her use of the correct maths vocabulary. Well done Molly!

Class 3 – The ribbon this week goes to someone for a fantastic effort with their home learning on Google Classroom. Well done, Alex!

Cleaner/Caretaker Vacancy

Facilities Management are looking to appoint a cleaner/caretaker at the school, please see their attached advertisement.

I hope you all have a super Bank Holiday weekend and we shall look forward to seeing the children on Tuesday 4th May.

Kind regards

J M Lyon

Head Teacher

Diary Dates

May	
3/5/21	May Bank Holiday Monday – school closed
4/5/21	School open
13/5/21	Skip 2 Be Fit Day
28/5/21	Break-up May half-term
June	
7/6/21	School open
28/6/21	New Reception children Parent Information Session 6pm
July	
1/7/21	New Reception transition morning
8/7/21	New Reception transition morning
15/7/21	New Reception transition morning plus school dinner
19/7/21	School Reports home
21/7/21	Leavers' Assembly
23/7/21	School closes for summer holidays at 2.30pm
September	
6/9/21	Training Day
7/9/21	School open for the autumn term

I will be in each school every day as follows:

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