

DISHFORTH C of E PRIMARY SCHOOL

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Dear Parents / Carers

I can't quite believe we are at the end of another half term with only one more left until the end of the academic year. It has been quite a wet and cold few weeks so fingers crossed for some warmer weather over the week off!

Welcome

A very warm welcome to Felicia and Edmund who have joined our school family today in Year 1 and Nursery.

COVID over May half-term

Throughout the first six days of May half-term, I will need to be informed if a child has attended school this week and then goes onto develop COVID. A dedicated email has been set up for this if it does occur – please see below. No other email address will be monitored throughout the week and please only use this email if your child tests positive for COVID.

If your child has been attending school and develops COVID symptoms over the weekend of the 29th and 30th May which then leads to a positive COVID test result, then you must inform school on this dedicated email:

COVID19@dishforth.n-yorks.sch.uk

Please include the following information:

- Name of child and class they are in
- Date symptoms began
- Evidence of the positive result

Class News

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

EYFS – In EYFS this week we have enjoyed starting to look at a new book, with one of our favourite characters, Anna Hibiscus, Splash. We have talked about the story setting and have acted out and freeze-framed different parts of the story. This has led to lots of talk about our own experiences at the beach. In maths we have started work on taking away, using tens frames to show number stories such as Ten Green Bottles and Ten in a Bed. In forest schools we have been making dens using sticks and tarpaulin – the dens sheltered us from the wet weather!

Class 1 – This week, Class 1 have been learning about South America. Children have enjoyed learning interesting facts about this continent to write an information text. In PE children have enjoyed developing their throwing and catching skills and playing a range of team games. As part of Class 1's super star reward time, children enjoyed building dens in our forest school area. I was really impressed with their problem solving and team work skills!

Class 2 – We have had another busy and exciting week in Class 2 this week. On Wednesday we made Vegetable Turnovers in DT, learning new skills that hopefully we will be able to use at home. We had a great morning dicing vegetables and making pastry and we were pleasantly surprised at the results! In maths this week we have continued our learning on telling the time accurately and in Science we looked at different ways of grouping vertebrates using branching databases.

Class 3 – In Class 3, we have been learning about decimals and tests of divisibility. During literacy, we have rewritten the beginning of Macbeth. We have also examined features of balanced arguments and we are now using these features to write a balanced argument about whether or not Macbeth was evil. We have got better at remembering our lines in our play and we have been practising all eight songs. In science, we looked at inherited features and during topic work we enjoyed finding out about ways the Anglo Saxon/Viking and modern-day justice systems are similar and different. We were glad there are a lot of differences.

Parenting Support

Please find attached all the information you need for the brand-new launch of the Solihull parenting online courses. Any person who has a North Yorkshire postcode can access these courses completely **FREE** using the access code which is **NYFAMILIES**.

There are a range of courses from pregnancy through to Teens and also a course designed for parenting children and young people with **SEND** which I know is currently a huge gap for parents. These courses can be taken at your leisure and you can do sections at a time so it doesn't have to be completed in one go.

Information about how to access is included in the attached documents.

<u>Grange Close – dropping children off</u>

Please can I remind families who are dropping children off in cars of the following to keep all children safe:

- Please observe the Keep Clear area outside the school gate, unless you are dropping off a child with reduced mobility needs.
- Where possible, please consider parking on Back Lane, or Main Street to avoid Grange Close altogether.

Half Term courses – Carlton Lodge

Attached to this newsletter is information regarding courses that are available at Carlton Lodge over half term.

School Dinner promotions

Royal Celebration - Friday 11th June



Celebrate with Queen Elzabeth II for her 95th Birthday with a delicious afternoon tea

A Selection of Freshly Made Sandwiches with Small Homemade Sausage Rolls, Homemade Cheese Quiche and Vegetable Sticks

Lemon Drizzle Scones served with Raspberry Jam, Cream and Fresh Raspberries.

Seaside Special - Thursday 15th July

Harry Ramsden Crispy Battered Fish (Vegetarian Option available)
Chips
Mushy Peas
Tomato Ketchup
followed by
Doughnut Muffins



Menu Change – Friday 16th July

Due to the Seaside Special lunch on the 15^{th} July, Beef Lasagne will be served on Friday 16^{th} July.

Celebration Assembly

The following children were awarded our weekly ribbons on Friday;



Ribbons

EYFS – The ribbon this week goes to someone for their super attitude towards reading at school and for giving well thought out answers to questions. Well done, Finnian!

Class 1 – This week the ribbon goes to someone for their excellent work in science. Well done, Willem!

Class 2 – This week the ribbon goes to someone who has had a fantastic attitude and has applied themselves in their learning all week. They have also worked really well with their peers when we made our vegetable turnovers on Wednesday. Well done, Dacian!

Class 3 – The ribbon this week goes to someone for their excellent work in maths with decimals. Well done, Georgia!

We hope you have a super half term holiday and we look forward to seeing the children on Monday 7th June.

Kind regards

J M Lyon

Head Teacher

Diary Dates

May					
28/5/21	Break-up May half-term				
June					
7/6/21	School open				
11/12/21	School Dinner promotion: Royal Celebration – Queen's Birthday				
23/6/21	Olivia Mulligan – poet – to work with KS2 classes				
25/6/21	Music for Life whole school concert and workshops for KS2				
28/6/21	New Reception children Parent Information Session 6pm				
July					
1/7/21	New Reception transition morning				
5/7/21	Provisional date for Class 3 – production of Macbeth 6pm				
6/7/21	Provisional date for Class 3 – production of Macbeth 2.30pm				
8/7/21	New Reception transition morning				
15/7/21	New Reception transition morning plus school dinner				
	School Dinner promotion: Seaside Special				
19/7/21	School Reports home				
20/7/21	Sports Day (TBC)				
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	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