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Dear Parents,

I hope you all enjoyed a very autumnal blustery weekend. Over the next few weeks in school there are a number of events happening so please read the newsletter carefully for dates and times.

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 started to look at the poems of Michael Rosen. We have enjoyed watching Michael Rosen perform some of his poems. We have learned the poem “We’re going on a Bear Hunt” and have put actions and musical instruments sounds to it. In maths we have been comparing collections of objects using the language more than and less than, taller and smaller, longer and shorter. We have been looking at how we changed from being a baby to a toddler to a young child.

Class 1 – In Class 1 this week, we have been learning to write our own poems based on the poem 'I asked the boy who cannot see', ensuring to include adjectives in our work. In maths we have focused on comparing numbers, using the correct mathematical terminology of less than, greater than and equal to. The children had a brilliant time meeting Mrs Darby-Roberts who told us all about what it is like to be a Structural Engineer. She also helped us to build our very own bridges in Design and Technology. We have also investigated the different properties in materials within Science, taking part in a class materials hunt.

Class 2 – This week in class 2 we have begun learning all about the poetry of John Lyons. We have looked at his life and created fact files all about him. In maths we have continued our work in place value and towards the end of the week we began to look at addition. Our topic learning this week saw us research different tourist attractions in London. We also made the digestive system out of plasticine with Mrs Blyton in Science.

Class 3 – In Topic this week, children have worked in groups to create time lines of the life of Alexander the Great. In maths, we have begun to develop further our addition skills and have enjoyed working collaboratively to solve number problems. In Literacy we have worked on locating evidence in the text to support our ideas and we have learnt about writing sentences that build suspense and tension.

Individual School Photograph Day

On Wednesday 13th October, it is school photograph day. As with previous years the family photographs are to be taken first from 8.30am, these are for children in school who have siblings who are not at school. If this applies to you, please come to school for 8.30am to have your children photographed together. Individual photographs and siblings who come to this school will be taken during the school morning.



Harvest Festival

As I emailed to families last Thursday, we are all looking forward to holding events again after the challenges of the last eighteen months. Due to the size of the hall, number of children on roll and Covid guidelines, we will be holding two Harvest Festivals this year:



EYFS and Class 1 children will celebrate Harvest Festival on Thursday 21st October at 9am which will last approximately 15 minutes. If parents are unable to make this due to work or other commitments, then parents are welcome to attend the rehearsal on Wednesday 20th October at 2.45pm (the rehearsal should be exactly the same as the performance on Thursday!)

KS2 (Class 2 and 3) will celebrate Harvest Festival on Friday 22nd October at 2.30pm

Please can a maximum of two people from each household attend Harvest and can you let Mrs McBride know the performance/s you are attending either by phoning or emailing her at admin@dishforth.n-yorks.sch.uk - thank you.

School Council

Our School Council members for the academic year have been duly elected and are as follows:

Year 1 - Daisy

Year 2 - Charlie

Year 3 - Florence

Year 4 - Sophie

Year 5 - Ava

Year 6 - Lola

Parent / Teacher / Child consultation – Monday 18th and Wednesday 20th October

A letter went out late last week regarding dates and times for parent / teacher / child consultations. Please can this form be returned to school as soon as possible with your preferred choice so that the staff can organise times and send out a confirmation note in due course.

Parking

Please can I also politely remind parents who are driving their child /ren to school to refrain from parking on pavements and driveways of local residents. I appreciate that there is limited parking near school and this will continue to be the case until the school receives the new carpark from the building development nearby. My understanding is that the carpark will take some time before it becomes available to the school. Our priority is the safety of the children and it would be very much appreciated if families can walk to school wherever possible and in all type of weather– thank you.

Library update

We are moving forward with developing the new non-fiction library in school and we endeavour to officially open the area later on in the autumn term. If anyone has an hour to spare to help with labelling books with a Dewey number, please can you let Mrs McBride know in the school office either by phoning or emailing her. Thank you.

Online Safety Newsletter

Please find attached to this newsletter the October edition of the parent online safety newsletter, which is a guide for families as to how to keep children safe online.

PE Kit

A reminder that now the weather is turning a bit cooler, the children can wear a tracksuit for PE.

MSA Advert

School currently has a vacancy for a Midday Supervisor Assistant – details are on the NYCC jobs website.

Promotional School Dinners – this Thursday!

National Poetry Day – Thursday 7th October

Margherita Pizza
Potato Smiles, Peas and Baked Beans

Upside Down Apple Slice and Ice-cream

*Join us for a yummy meal that is sure to make you smile,
Plus, with all that energy; you'll be able to run a mile!*

Bonfire Night – Friday 5th November

Sloppy Joe Style Sausages in a Bun

Potato Wedges
Sweetcorn and Peas

Chocolate & Vanilla Swirls
With an Apple Wedge

Fundraising Opportunity – Morrisons 'It's Good to Grow'

There is an opportunity through Morrisons to collect 'Grow Tokens' for every £10 spent in store which would enable school to purchase gardening equipment. If you are shopping in store, please think of us!!

<https://my.morrisons.com/blog/community/good-to-grow/>

AWARDS

Celebration Assembly

On Friday, we had our Celebration Assembly. This week the following children were given our weekly awards;



Ribbons

EYFS – The ribbon this week goes to someone who is a very helpful member of our class, especially at tidy up time, and for making super progress in learning his phonics. Well done, Denny!

Class 1 – The ribbon this week goes to someone who displayed a wonderful, hard-working attitude when writing her poem about The Great Fire of London. Well done, Daisy!

Class 2 – The ribbon this week goes to someone who consistently respects our school rules of being ready, respectful and safe and also exhibits our values of respect and trust. Well done, Teddy!

Class 3 – The ribbon this week goes to someone who consistently works hard and produces work of a high standard. Well done, Lola!

Values in Action

This week our Values Award goes to Riley for demonstrating the school values of perseverance, trust, compassion and respect. Riley is always a good friend and listens. He keeps his cool and is a good person. Riley was nominated by William.



Well done, Riley!

Kind regards,

J M Lyon - Head Teacher

Diary Dates

October	
7/10/21	Promotional School Dinner – National Poetry Day
10/10/21	World Mental Health Day
13/10/21	Individual School Photographs
15/10/21	Open the Book – Collective Worship
w/b 18/10/21	Parent / child / teacher consultations
21/10/21	Harvest Festival for EYFS and Class 1 (Y1 and 2) at 9am
22/10/21	Harvest Festival for Class 2 and 3 (KS2) at 2.30pm Break-up Half Term 3.15pm
November	
1/11/21	School open
5/11/21	Promotional School Dinner – Bonfire Night
w/c 15/11/21	Anti-bullying week
17/11/21	FLU IMMUNISATION – further details to follow
19/11/21	Children in Need Day
December	
15/12/21	Christmas School Dinner
16/12/21	Christmas Parties
17/12/21	School closes for Christmas at 2.30pm

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