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### **Newsletter 7 Monday 18<sup>th</sup> October 2021**

Dear Parents,

It's the end of a very busy half term on Friday at 3.15pm. I hope you all have a super week off and we shall look forward to seeing you on Monday 1<sup>st</sup> November.

#### **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 been learning about farming, in preparation for Harvest next week. We have all enjoyed playing with the small world farm, making up stories about farm adventures. We have looked at the different types of machinery found on a farm, and have made our own tractors and trailers in the modelling area. We have looked at scarecrows and talked about why they are used and have made our own moving scarecrows using split pins.

**Class 1** – In Class 1 this week, we have been learning to write our own imaginative stories based on our new book 'The Egg Box Dragon'. We paid particular attention to detail including who was in the story, what were the main events of the story and where the story was set. In Maths, we have focused on more addition and subtraction stories, thinking about different ways we can represent our findings. The children made their own conker necklaces this week in Forest School and had to work together to ensure everyone could join in. Meanwhile in DT, we finished our bridges and discussed as a class how we could strengthen and stiffen what we had made.

**Class 2** – This week in Class 2 we have been getting ready for our Harvest celebration next week. We have written harvest poetry about what we think makes harvest time special. We have also created Harvest artwork looking at still life drawing. In our science learning this week we looked at the effects of different types of drinks on eggshells and in Topic we have begun a presentation about how the geography of London has changed over time.

**Class 3** – In Class this week, Class 3 have worked on their summarising skills. Working in groups, children have identified the key events and characters within their class novel. Children have begun to use this knowledge to plan their own story ending. In maths lessons, children have begun to develop the multiplication skills. In P.E lessons, children have worked on their defending, attacking and shooting skills.

#### **Harvest Festival**



**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.

**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](mailto:admin@dishforth.n-yorks.sch.uk) - thank you.



### **Harvest – Food Bank Donations**

This year for Harvest, we will be supporting Ripon Community House Food Support. Food support provides emergency parcels for people in crisis in Ripon, Boroughbridge and the surrounding villages. If you would like to donate dried goods, tinned food or long-life milk then please, can you send them into school – there will be a box near the front entrance. Thank you.

### **Open the Book**

On Friday we all enjoyed a wonderful Collective Worship from Open the Book. The children were very engaged throughout the re-enactment of the Bible Story John the Baptist's, teaching about social justice and they participated in a song at the end. Thank you to Pamela who led Open the Book and we shall look forward to seeing them again next half term.

### **School Photographs**

Please can any school photograph orders be completed online by **Thursday 21st October** to avoid any late order fees.

### **Forest Schools – after half term**

After half term from Monday 1<sup>st</sup> November, Class 2 children will be taking part in Forest Schools every Monday morning.

Forest School is an inspiring process which is a specialised approach that aims to develop confidence and self-esteem through hands-on learning outside.

Please can Class 2 children bring into school a waterproof coat, tracksuit bottoms and trainers / wellies – something that you don't mind getting wet and dirty!!

### **Forest Schools and PE in EYFS**

After half term Forest Schools will take place on a Wednesday afternoon and PE will take place on a Tuesday afternoon.

### **Applying for a School Place for September 2022 – Moving from Nursery to Reception**

If your child was born between 1 September 2017 and 31 August 2018 they are due to start school in 2021-22. The primary school application round is now open and **the deadline to apply is 15<sup>th</sup> January 2022.**

## Promotional School Dinners

### **Bonfire Night – Friday 5<sup>th</sup> November**

Sloppy Joe Style Sausages in a Bun

Potato Wedges  
Sweetcorn and Peas

Chocolate & Vanilla Swirls  
With an Apple Wedge

### **Menu Change – Wednesday 3<sup>rd</sup> November**

Fish Fingers  
Tomato Ketchup  
Chipped Potatoes  
Vegetable Medley  
Fresh Bread

Fruit Shortcake, Fresh Fruit or Yoghurt

### **Billy Bob Buttons – author visit 9<sup>th</sup> November**

The award-winning, bestselling children’s author, Billy Bob Buttons, will be visiting this school on the AFTERNOON of Tuesday 9<sup>th</sup> November.

He is the author of sixteen very popular children’s books including Felicity Brady and the Wizard’s Bookshop, the bestselling Muffin Monster, Tiffany Sparrow Spook Slayer, The Cool Kids Book Prize winner, WIDE AWAKE, and the UK People’s Book Prize winner and bestseller, I think I Murdered Miss. Last year, this book sold over 40,000 in the UK alone and won the 2014 UK People’s Book Prize.

Every year, he meets with approx. 50,000 primary school children to deliver his popular literacy workshops. Throughout the afternoon, he will be delivering the workshops to KS1 and KS2 children focusing on Planning a Story, Adventure Writing and Characters.

There will also be an opportunity for your child to meet Mr. Buttons and buy a signed and dedicated book. Attached to this letter is a price list plus lots of information on the different books they can pick from. If you wish your child to buy a signed book, simply put the money (the author will have change with him) in an envelope (with your child’s name and class written on the front) and hand it to the school office / class teacher as soon as possible.

Mr. Buttons will be doing the book signing at the end of the school day, so if parents wish to meet him and help their child pick a book, they can do so then.

### **Children in Need – Friday 19<sup>th</sup> November**

We will be supporting Children in Need day on Friday 19<sup>th</sup> November, so if you ‘spot’ any of the fundraising items on sale and want to buy in advance please feel free to do so. Children will get a chance to wear/use them on the day in school as we are holding a non-uniform day and ask that children bring in £1 donation.



## 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 always works well in Read, Write Inc and has made super progress in blending sounds to read words. Well done, Lottie!

**Class 1** – The ribbon this week goes to someone who has worked really hard on their writing. Well done, Celeste!

**Class 2** – The ribbon this week goes to someone for their excellent work in Maths, looking at subtracting 2 digit numbers from 3 digit numbers. Well done, Jacob!

**Class 3** – The ribbon this week goes to someone who works hard in all lessons and has been noticed for his maths skills. He demonstrated excellent mental strategies and explained to his peers how he had worked out the answer to a variety of arithmetic questions. Well done to Alex H!

### **Values in Action**

This week our Values Award goes to Tyrell for demonstrating the school value of respect. Tyrell is always respectful to others even when things are not going his way.

Tyrell was nominated by Zach.

Well done,

Tyrell!



I hope you all have a wonderful half term and we shall look forward to seeing you on Monday 1<sup>st</sup> November.

Kind regards,

J M Lyon - Head Teacher

## Diary Dates

<b>October</b>	
<b>w/b 18/10/21</b>	Parent / child / teacher consultations (18 <sup>th</sup> and 20 <sup>th</sup> October)
<b>18/10/21</b>	Friends of Dishforth School meeting – 2.30pm all welcome
<b>21/10/21</b>	Harvest Festival for EYFS and Class 1 (Y1 and 2) at 9am
<b>22/10/21</b>	Harvest Festival for Class 2 and 3 (KS2) at 2.30pm Break-up Half Term 3.15pm
<b>November</b>	
<b>1/11/21</b>	School open
<b>5/11/21</b>	Promotional School Dinner – Bonfire Night
<b>9/11/21</b>	Author visit – Billy Bob Buttons
<b>w/c 15/11/21</b>	Anti-bullying week
<b>17/11/21</b>	FLU IMMUNISATION – further details to follow
<b>19/11/21</b>	Children in Need Day
<b>December</b>	
<b>15/12/21</b>	Christmas School Dinner
<b>16/12/21</b>	Christmas Parties
<b>17/12/21</b>	Children to Baldersby Church for School led Christingle Service to start at 1.30pm  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