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Dear Parents / Carers,

We have made it to the end of a very busy and challenging half term. I think we are all ready for a rest and we are looking forward to seeing everyone on Monday 28th February. Thank you all once again for your support and understanding over the last six weeks.

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 really enjoyed learning about Robots. We have based our learning on the story No-Bot - the Robot with No Bottom. We have explored magnetism and sorted different materials into magnetic and non-magnetic. We have made our own moving robots using split pins and designed robots using play dough and different loose parts. As part of Children's Mental Health week, we have considered our own emotions and thought about anger and happiness, and thought about what we can do to help us cope with our emotions. In PE we have continued our gymnastics unit and have been balancing in different ways.

Class 1 – In Class 1 this week, we have continued to look at 'The Jolly Postman or Other People's Letters' by Alan Ahlberg. We looked carefully at 'ed' endings and the conjunction 'but'. We looked at the different features of a Newspaper Article before creating our own newspaper report on the Big Bad Wolf, incorporating what we have learnt into our writing. In Maths, we have focused on subtraction and division. Year 1s have been learning how to subtract, crossing ten. Year 2s have been learning how to divide in twos, fives and tens and applying their knowledge to different mathematical problem-solving questions. In Science, we have been learning about exercise and the human body. We researched the different functions of the heart and the lungs, exploring what we understand about heart rates. We measured our own pulses and investigated which exercises would make our heart rate faster or slower. In Topic, we explored how we could make a difference in our community. We identified some of the things that we would like to improve and decided to write a letter to our local councillor, outlining what changes we would like to see happen and why they were important. Finally, in RE we continued to explore what it means to be Jewish. We looked at Sukkot and why it is important to Jewish people. We then designed our own Sukkah's, ensuring that they had the correct criteria of three walls, a natural roof and appropriate inside decorations.

Class 2 – This week in Class 2 we have continued our learning on how bees make honey in preparation for writing our explanation texts next week. In Maths we have looked at division and multiplication of two-digit numbers, looking at increasingly tricky problems. We had a great time in science this week predicting and measuring how magnetic certain everyday objects were. Mr Duffy

tried to trick us by using some objects that appeared metallic but were in fact made from non-magnetic substances. Finally, we have had great fun this week identifying Roman Gods and looking into their super powers!

Class 3 – This week, Class 3 have been writing a letter to the Queen (in the perspective of Syms Covington). We have thought carefully about our use of language and the level of formality that is required. In maths, we have begun looking at metric units. The children have designed advertisement leaflets in topic for their own biome. They thought carefully about some of the threats their biome could face. In art, the children have sketched images of objects and looked at shadows and light to help them with their shading.

Year 6 SAT information session

On Monday 28th February at 3.30pm we are holding a Year 6 parent information session regarding the SAT assessments in the school hall.

Parent / Teacher / Child Consultations

Parent / Teacher / Child consultations take place this week today and Wednesday in the school hall. Appointments are strictly for 10 minutes please in order for timings to be kept to schedule.

Music for Life

On Thursday 17th February we will be welcoming a Jazz band in school for the afternoon for the children to listen to courtesy of Sowerby Music for Life.

Reading

Advance notice that we are celebrating World Book Day after February half term on **Thursday 3rd March** – children are welcome to come to school dressed up as a character from a book.

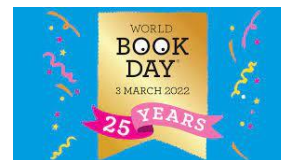
Sport Wear for All Thirsk

As mentioned in previous newsletters, the organisation Sport Wear for All Thirsk is to help ensure children can participate in sports by loaning and swapping sports boots and equipment. If you have any sports trainers or boots that your children have grown out of then there is a collection box at school if you would like to support this.

Menu Change – tomorrow

On Tuesday the 15th, the menu will be different due to the Valentine's lunch today. The menu will be - Cheese and Tomato Pizza, diced potatoes with a medley of vegetables and Chocolate crunch for pudding.

Promotional Dinner – World Book Day – Thursday 3rd March



Positivity Pizza

with

You Can Do It Diced Potatoes, Brave Broccoli and Courageous Carrots

Followed by

Mole Mud Muffins (Chocolate Muffins)

Comic Relief – Red Nose Day Friday 18th March

On Friday 18th March we will be supporting Comic Relief with a non-uniform day where the children can donate £1 towards the charity – red noses are also welcome!



Carlton Lodge – February half-term

Please see below for information from Carlton Lodge:

Hello from Carlton Lodge Activity Centre

We are pleased to be able to offer Activities for the **Half Term Holiday, February 2022** to take place on:

Tuesday, 22nd February

and

Wednesday, 23rd February

Activities are aimed at children **aged 8-14 yrs. Covid safe measures are in place.**
[Registration is from **9.10am**] Activities start at **9.30am** and finish at approx. **4.30pm.**

Children will be allocated into a group of up to 8 individuals and given instruction throughout the day by one or two instructors.

Activities will be arranged by the Carlton Lodge Team and will be dependent on group sizes, staffing levels and weather conditions. Activities will include a combination of 4 from following list:- Archery, Bushcraft, Climbing Tree, Climbing Wall, Challenge Course, Crate Stack, Bridges, Problem Solving, Scavenger Hunt or Orienteering.

Particular activities cannot be prebooked, these will be decided by our staff a day or two before the event

You can book places for your child[ren] individually or as multiple numbers at a cost of **£40 per child + booking fee.**

Places are limited, so please visit the EventBrite site to check availability.

To book your child[ren] for Activities please go to the Eventbrite site: <https://bit.ly/ActivityDaysFeb22>

Don't forget to bring a **packed lunch, shower kit & towel** and a **change of clothes** and come prepared for the season's weather conditions!

If you have any additional queries, please contact gillian@nyy.org.uk

We look forward to seeing you!! 😊

Thirsk Community Library and Boroughbridge Library

Please find attached to this newsletter information regarding activities that are taking place at Thirsk Library and Boroughbridge Library over the half-term break.

AWARDS

Celebration Assembly

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



Ribbons

EYFS – This week the class ribbon goes to someone for making super progress with their letter formation. Well done, Zachary!

Class 1 – The ribbon this week goes to someone for their fantastic knowledge counting in 2s, 5s and 10s. Well done, Finnian!

Class 2 - The ribbon this week goes to someone for their hard work and dedication to improving their handwriting and presentation of work. Well done, Ellie!

Class 3 – This week, the ribbon is going to someone who has tried hard to utilise various sentence types to ensure her writing was interesting to read and cohesive. Well done, Evie M!

Values in Action

This week our Values Award goes to someone for demonstrating our school values of perseverance, compassion, trust and respect. This person never gives up if he finds something difficult. He is also very compassionate and respectful of others.

The award goes to Riley who was nominated by George.



Well done, Riley!

Kind regards,

J M Lyon - Head Teacher

Diary Dates

February 2022	
w/c 14th February	Parents Evening Monday 14 th February and Wednesday 16 th February
17/2/22	Music for Life morning - 6Pac Jazz
18/2/22	Break-up for February half-term
28/2/22	School open Year 6 Parent information session for SATS in the school hall at 3.30pm
March 2022	
3/3/22	World Book Day – dress up as a character from a book
7/3/22	Year 5 enrichment day at Thirsk High School
16/3/22	Road Safety Talk with Lauren Doherty
18/3/22	Comic Relief Day - £1 non-uniform – red noses welcome!
22/3/22	Workshop PE
30/3/22	Class 2 Production 'Peace Child' 6pm – further details to follow
31/3/22	Class 2 Production 'Peace Child' 9.30am – further details to follow
April 2022	
6/4/22	Afternoon – Baldersby Church – whole school – parents invited 1.30pm
8/4/22	Break-up for Easter at 2.30pm
25/4/22	TRAINING DAY
26/4/22	School open for the summer term
May 2022	
2/5/22	May Day – school closed for the day
9/5/22	Year 6 SAT week
27/5/22	Break-up for May half term
June 2022	
6/6/22	School open
7-9 June	Class 3 residential
13/6/22	EYFS Balance Bikes
15/6/22	Workshop - PE
24/6/22	TRAINING DAY – SCHOOL CLOSED FOR ONE DAY
27/6/22	Year 6 Leaver's Service, All Saints Church, Northallerton
30/6/22	Year 5 enrichment day at Thirsk High School

July 2022	
22/7/22	Break-up for summer holidays 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