



DISHFORTH C of E PRIMARY SCHOOL

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**Newsletter 23 Monday 7<sup>th</sup> March 2022**

Dear Parents / Carers,

I hope you all had a super weekend enjoying the sunshine and lighter days.

I am delighted that our new trim trail is ready to be introduced to the children this week. The children know that it is for Years 1-6 only and that it can be used at lunchtime and breaktime when supervised by a school member of staff.

#### **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 Pancakes. We have read instructions for making pancakes and have made and tasted pancakes, talking about our favourite toppings. We have ordered instructions for making pancakes, in readiness for writing the instructions next week. In maths we have started learning about 9 and 10. We have been practising our counting, ordering numbers up to ten and recognising 9 and 10 through different representations. We have started our work on making 3D pictures/collages using materials such as pasta, rice, straws, crumpled paper and pompoms.

**Class 1** – In Class 1 this week, we looked at the story 'Peace at Last' by Jill Murphy. The children spent time analysing the different features of a recount based on a familiar setting before writing their own experience of going to bed and not being able to sleep. Class 1 thought carefully about the size of their letters, appropriate punctuation, finger spaces and writing in the past tense. In Maths, we have focused on Fractions. Year 1s have been learning to find a half of different objects. Year 2s have been learning to find and recognise quarters in different mathematical problems. We then used what we had learnt to try some problem-solving challenges. In Science, we have begun to look at the Seasonal transition from Winter to Spring. The children enjoyed their spring walk, looking for the changes in the temperature and in the natural environment around us. In P.E, the children have started to learn about ball skills. This week, we looked at rugby and how to hold the rugby ball properly. We then practiced travelling with the ball in a safe way, passing to our team mates. Class 1 had a fantastic time dressing up as their favourite characters on World Book Day! It was wonderful to see the wide variety of costumes and for the children to be openly discussing what books they enjoyed.

**Class 2** – This week in Class 2 we have really enjoyed beginning to learn our lines for our class production. We have loved working in teams and alone to start to understand our characters and how the play will develop. In English this week, we have looked at how we sequence and write an opening to a story, focussing on describing setting and character. Year 3 have begun to look at money in our maths lessons this week. Looking at adding and subtracting pounds and pence. In Science we began our new topic all about sound and we investigated how different instruments

worked. On Thursday we really enjoyed dressing up for World Book Day and talking about our favourite books.

**Class 3** – Class 2 have started our new topic about Ernest Shackleton. This is something we will be looking at in literacy and topic. Our new book is a fascinating non-fiction book called 'Shackleton's Journey!' In maths, we have recapped fractions and year six have continued learning about how to work out algebraic equations. The children have been looking at various materials in science and set up their own investigation.



### **Comic Relief – Red Nose Day Friday 18<sup>th</sup> March**

On Friday 18<sup>th</sup> March we will be supporting Comic Relief with a non-uniform day where the children can come in their own clothes (try and wear something red!) and donate £1 towards the charity – red noses are also welcome! A link has been set up on ParentPay for the donation – please see below.

<https://app.parentpay.com/ParentPayShop/Foc/Default.aspx?shopid=6230>

### **Comic Relief from the School Council**

In addition to the non-uniform day for Comic Relief, the School Council are leading a couple of competitions in school for the children if they would like to take part on Friday 18<sup>th</sup> March:

There will be a design you own t-shirt competition (entry £1) the winner as chosen by School Council will win a prize. We will also be hosting a comedy competition for 50p entry where your aim is to make the teachers laugh, this could be telling a joke or a funny routine. There will be a prize for the winner.

### **Year 5 Enrichment Day – postponed to Monday 21<sup>st</sup> March**

Year 5 will have the opportunity to experience a day at a secondary school on Monday 21<sup>st</sup> March where they have been invited to Thirsk High School.

Year 5 children need to go in their PE kit and take a warm coat. They will also need a packed lunch, water bottle and a £1 voluntary contribution towards their Technology sessions.

To ensure that the children arrive at Thirsk School for 9.00am, the minibus will be leaving at 8.40am so Year 5 need to be at school, **for 8.35am**. Traffic permitting, they should be back at Dishforth School for collection at **3.30pm**.

### **Online Safety Newsletter**

Attached to this newsletter is the March edition of the online safety newsletter for your information.

## 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 in maths, especially in their explanations about how many items they can see on a tens frames. Well done, Freddie!

**Class 1** - The ribbon this week goes to someone for their descriptive language used in writing lessons. Well done, Bibi!

**Class 2** – The ribbon this week goes to someone who has worked really hard in Maths to use different methods when working out challenging division problems. He has also done an amazing job with learning his lines for the production. Well done, Jack!

**Class 3** – This week the ribbon is going to someone for his focussed mindset and determination in literacy. He has thought carefully about how to use a thesaurus to improve the level of vocabulary he has used. Well done, Ronan!

### **Values in Action**

This week our Values Award goes to someone for demonstrating our school values of respect.

This person has shown respect and kindness to others.



The award goes to Mati who was nominated by Mollie.

Well done, Mati!

Kind regards,

J M Lyon - Head Teacher

### **Diary Dates**

<b>March 2022</b>	
<b>16/3/22</b>	Road Safety Talk with Lauren Doherty
<b>18/3/22</b>	Comic Relief Day - £1 non-uniform – red noses welcome! School Council competitions:

	<p>Design you own t-shirt competition (entry £1) the winner as chosen by School Council will win a prize</p> <p>Comedy competition for 50p entry where your aim is to make the teachers laugh, this could be telling a joke or a funny routine. There will be a prize for the winner.</p>
<b>21/3/22</b>	Year 5 enrichment day at Thirsk High School
<b>22/3/22</b>	Workshop PE <b>ALL CHILDREN NEED PE KIT IN SCHOOL</b>
<b>30/3/22</b>	Class 2 Production 'Peace Child' <b>6pm</b> – further details to follow
<b>31/3/22</b>	Class 2 Production 'Peace Child' <b>9.15am</b> – further details to follow
<b>April 2022</b>	
<b>6/4/22</b>	Afternoon – Baldersby Church – whole school – parents invited 1.30pm
<b>8/4/22</b>	Break-up for Easter at 2.30pm
<b>25/4/22</b>	TRAINING DAY
<b>26/4/22</b>	School open for the summer term
<b>May 2022</b>	
<b>2/5/22</b>	May Day – school closed for the day
<b>9/5/22</b>	Year 6 SAT week
<b>27/5/22</b>	Break-up for May half term
<b>June 2022</b>	
<b>6/6/22</b>	School open
<b>7-9 June</b>	Class 3 residential
<b>13/6/22</b>	EYFS Balance Bikes
<b>15/6/22</b>	Workshop - PE
<b>24/6/22</b>	TRAINING DAY – SCHOOL CLOSED FOR ONE DAY
<b>27/6/22</b>	<p>Year 6 Leaver's Service, All Saints Church, Northallerton</p> <p>(this is for Year 6 children only as it is a Diocesan event involving Year 6 children from a number of schools)</p>
<b>30/6/22</b>	Year 5 enrichment day at Thirsk High School
<b>July 2022</b>	
<b>20/7/22</b>	Year 6 Leavers' Service in school 2pm – parents welcome
<b>22/7/22</b>	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