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Newsletter 5 Monday 3rd October 2022

Dear Parents / Carers,

I hope you all enjoyed a lovely 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 been learning about Babies. We have looked at photographs of ourselves as babies and talked about how we are different now. We welcomed new babies into our role play area and thought about how we need to look after them. In maths we have been making repeating patterns. We collected natural items in forest schools and made repeating patterns with them. We have been thinking about what makes a good friend and thought about ways that we can be kind to one another.

Class 1 – In class 1 this week we have been writing the story of Stanley's Stick. We have learned how to use adjectives to describe and how to join two short sentences together using the word and. We have particularly enjoyed looking at the features of the school grounds and have learned about physical and human features. In PSHE we have been thinking about people who care for us and how we can care for others.

Class 2 – This week in class 2 we have read to the end of our Class text, Stone Age Boy. We then thought about how the author created tension and excitement and used that in writing our own climax to the story. In our Maths we have been finishing off our Number and Place Value topic. We loved our art session this week, continuing our still life drawing and using shading techniques to help our fruit jump off the page. In our history session we looked at animals that were alive in the stone age and some that are still alive today and in Science we learnt all about the palaeontologist, Mary Anning.

Class 3 – In Class 3 this week, we have been exploring prime numbers, factors, multiples and rules of divisibility in year 6 maths. In year 5, we have finished our place value topic and are moving onto adding, subtracting, multiplying and dividing. In literacy, we have written a persuasive letter to one of the main characters in our class book 'The Journey'. The children have enjoyed researching George Stephenson and Richard Trevithick in relation to our history topic. I am sure they would be happy to share a fact with you! Class 3 have had the opportunity to play their clarinet and play some games to explore their instruments.

Promotional School Dinner – this Thursday 6th October

Hot Dog

(v) Veggie Dog

Chips, Ketchup & Corn on the Cob

Dipping Dinky Doughnuts

Parent / Teacher / Child consultation – Monday 17th and Wednesday 19th 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 by the end of today with your preferred choice so that the staff can organise times and send out a confirmation note in due course.

Harvest Festival

EYFS and Class 1 children will celebrate Harvest Festival on Thursday 20th October at 9.15am which will last approximately 15 minutes.

KS2 (Class 2 and 3) will celebrate Harvest Festival on Friday 21st October at 2.30pm

Due to the size of the hall, please can a maximum of two people from each household attend Harvest -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.

FLU IMMUNISATION

Please find attached a letter from Harrogate District Hospital regarding the flu vaccine which is available for all primary school children.

Follow the link on the letter, inputting your email address and code **HD121487**, press find school then select **Dishforth C of E Primary**. Please complete the form to say whether you would or would not like your child to have the flu vaccine.

The Flu vaccine will take place at our school on the 23rd November 2022 in the morning

PE Kit

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

Stone Age Workshop – Class 2

On the October 14th Class 2 are looking forward to having a visit from Tanya Bentham, a local historian to talk to us about what life was like for Stone Age women. She will be showing us clothing, hunting and tools that were used during the period.

Breakfast and After School Club – important booking information

Please can any families who would like to use this facility ensure that bookings are made by 12pm on a Friday for the following week.

We can't take any bookings after this time at short notice as we need to ensure we have staff in place.

Year 6 Open Evenings

Year 6 open evenings at local secondary schools are as follows:

Thirsk – 6th October at 5pm

Boroughbridge High School – 12th October at 6pm

October Half-Term Activities at Carlton Lodge

Activities are aimed at children **aged 8-14 yrs**. And will be running over 3x days.

Tuesday, 25th Oct - Crate stack, Climbing Wall, Archery, Problem Solving.

Wednesday, 26th Oct - Bridges, Egg Challenge, Bushcraft, Orienteering

Thursday 27th Oct - Mini Olympics, Raft Build, Leap of Faith, Zip.

[Registration is from **9.10am**] Activities start at **9.30am** and finish at approx. **4.30pm**.

Covid safe measures are in place.

Places are limited, so please check out the EventBrite site to secure your place[s]

To book your child[ren] for Activities please go to the Eventbrite site: [Carlton Lodge Activity Centre Events | Eventbrite](#)

Bookings can only be made through the Eventbrite site.

Places can be booked for children as individuals or in multiple numbers at a cost of **£40 per child + booking fee**. [£43.71]

Don't forget to bring a **packed lunch, shower kit & towel** and a **change of clothes**.

Come prepared for the season's weather conditions!

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

We look forward to seeing you!! ☺ Gillian Harrison - *Office Administrator*

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Baldersby St James Church News

HARVEST FESTIVAL

Sunday 2nd October – 10.45a.m. Harvest Festival will be celebrated during our Holy Communion Service.

Revd. Sheilagh Williamson is kindly taking our service.

On Friday 30th September, in the afternoon, we will be decorating the church. The decorations will be left in church all week and as Rainton Gardening Club are holding their Flower Demonstration (all tickets sold) on the Tuesday we are hoping to have a great display of produce.

If anyone has any **fruit, vegetables, eggs, preserves, honey or other home-made produce** we would be grateful if this could be dropped in church in time for Friday.

BOOK SALE

Another amazing book sale which owed its success to the many, many volunteers who happily gave up hours to turn the church into a very organised “book fair”. There were 25 volunteers on Sunday at 5p.m. when magically the church returned to normal within 90 mins!!! – just beating last year’s record.

Over £4,000 was raised which is going towards the much-needed replacement of our noisy old radiators.

Everyone had lots of fun and enjoyed meeting our regular “book addicts” who very kindly donate books to us throughout the year (please leave in church anytime!) and give generous donations for new books at the sale.

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 ribbon goes to someone who has showed super levels of determination when learning to write our new letters, and for always being a kind friend – well done Liv!

Class 1 - This week the ribbon goes to someone who has worked really hard during phonics and reading lessons this week. He has worked hard to spell words using his phonics knowledge and is trying hard to use "Fred in head" when he is reading. Well done Thomas!

Class 2 – This week the ribbon goes to someone who has worked really hard on his maths since the beginning of the year and this week is no exception. He has also worked hard on his handwriting, taking real care in our handwriting lessons to get better all the time. He has also had some really great ideas in English for writing the end of his Stone Age Story. Well done Alex R!

Class 3 – This week the ribbon is going to someone for persevering in French when trying to pronounce 'brother' and 'sister', which can be rather daunting when learning a language. Well done, Mati!

Values in Action

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

This person has been nominated because in music, this person helps me to put away the instruments and is always very helpful around school.



The award goes to Sophie who was nominated by Ella.

Well done, Sophie!

Kind regards

J M Lyon

Head Teacher

Diary Dates

October 2022	
6/10/22	Promotional School Dinner
14/10/22	Stone Age workshop morning for Class 2
17/10/22 or 19/10/22	Parent / child / teacher consultations
20/10/22	EYFS and Class 1 Harvest Festival – morning 9.15am
21/10/22	Class 2 and 3 Harvest Festival – afternoon 2.30pm Break-up half term 3.15pm
31/10/22	School opens 8.45am
November 2022	
2/11/22	Individual school photograph morning
18/11/22	Children in Need Day – non-uniform
23/11/22	Flu Immunisation
24/11/22	Class 3 Mini-Medics afternoon – funded by Friends of Dishforth
December 2022	
05/12/22	Nativity – EYFS and Class 1 evening performance
6/12/22	Nativity – EYFS and Class 1 morning performance
8/12/22	Last swim session for Class 3. Class 2 children to go after Christmas.
9/12/22	Christmas Jumper Day for Save the Children

14/12/22	Christmas School Dinner (TBC)
15/12/22	Christmas School Parties – afternoon – children to bring their party clothes in a named bag to get changed into
16/12/22	Whole school Christingle Service at Baldersby Church – 1.45pm. Families welcome and children can go home from the church for the Christmas holidays. (Transport funded by Friends of School) School breaks up for Christmas at 2.30pm
January 2023	
3/1/23	Training Day
4/1/23	School Open for the Spring Term 8.45am

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