



DISHFORTH C of E PRIMARY SCHOOL

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Dear Parents / Carers,

Children in Need is on Friday 18th November where children can come to school in non-uniform and wear something spotty if they would like. Mrs McBride has set up a link to ParentPay for a donation which is for Children in Need:

<https://app.parentpay.com/ParentPayShop/Foc/Default.aspx?shopid=8114>

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 continued our learning on light and dark. We have been painting owl pictures following simple instructions. We have explored what it is like to be in the dark, whilst in our dark den. We thought about how being in the dark makes us feel. We then used different light sources, such as glow sticks and torches to light up the dark den. In PE we started our gymnastics lessons. We learned how to sit like a gymnast and how to make different body shapes. We have been learning about the number 2 in nursery and the numbers 4 and 5 in reception in our maths sessions. We are trying to recognise groups of objects without counting.

Class 1 – This week in class 1 has been all about diary writing. We have written a page from the diary of Leaf, a polar bear who woke up one morning to find that his iceberg had floated to a new island. We have also been learning how to write in the past tense. We have continued to find out about toys and have looked at what toys were like 30 years ago and how they were different to now. We are really enjoying our PE lessons where we are learning gymnastics, we have already learned how to balance, make a sequence of moves and roll. We have started our RE topic of "Why does Christmas matter to Christians" and have begun thinking about the birth of Jesus and understanding why this story is important to Christians.

Class 2 – In Class 2 this week we have really enjoyed our mini guided reading topic of remembrance. We have looked in detail at the Christmas Day truce and the thoughts and feelings of the soldiers at that time. We finished the week looking into the history of the Poppy. In Science this week the class looked at the melting point of chocolate and in History we looked in further detail at the different Stone Age periods drawing similarities and differences. Finally, we absolutely loved our Forest Schools lesson where we used hand drills to make Conker Caterpillars!

Class 3 – In class 3, this week we have finished writing our narratives about a refugee, in relation to our class book. In maths, Y6 have moved onto fractions, looking at equivalent fractions and fractions on a number line. Y5 have continued learning about prime numbers, squared, and cubed numbers. The children have also used charcoal to create their own piece of artwork, linked to remembrance.

In ICT, they have designed their own computer game and have begun practicing 'hot cross buns' on the clarinet, in music.

Anti-Bullying Week

Anti-Bullying Week 2022 is coordinated in England and Wales by the Anti-Bullying Alliance. It takes place this week and has the theme Reach Out. The week starts with Odd Socks Day today, where adults and children can wear odd socks to celebrate what makes us all unique.

During the week, the children will focus on types of bullying and how to respond if this ever arises.

Crucial Crew

Next Monday, Year 6 are spending the afternoon at Carlton Lodge undertaking activities in Crucial Crew which is an event organised by North Yorkshire Police. The children will see various scenarios which they may encounter in everyday life, each one posing problems or dangers to them. The children, working in small groups and under close supervision will tackle each scenario with feedback given as they complete each one. **All children need to bring a coat.**

Mini-Medics

On the 24th November, Class 3 children are taking part in mini-medics training where they will learn important First Aid information and life-saving techniques.

Applying for a Reception place for September 2023

If you have a child in Nursery who is due to start Reception in September 2023, an application must be made to the Local Authority by the **15th January 2023**. Applications can be made through clicking on the link below.

<https://www.northyorks.gov.uk/apply-place-primary-or-secondary-school>

National Sleep Helpline

Attached to this newsletter is information about a free resource that can help parents and children learn more about their sleep and develop better bedtime routines. Sleep is essential for the brain to function and by helping children to sleep better we can help them to succeed in school.

Recipe Book

In collaboration with Dishforth Airfield Primary School, we would like to put together a combined recipe book of family favourite dishes as part of a fundraising initiative for Christmas.

We would be delighted if you could share a favourite recipe so that we can put a book together by the end of November. If this is something you could be part of, please send your recipe into school by **Monday 21st November – this can be hand written or typed**. The recipe can be any type of food – savoury or sweet – your help would be very much appreciated!

PE Kit

A reminder that now the weather is turning a bit cooler, the children can wear a tracksuit for PE in either black or navy.

At this time of year, the children's trainers are getting rather muddy during PE sessions, please can children bring a spare bag to put their footwear in – thank you.

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.

Friends of Dishforth – Bags 2 School

Friends of Dishforth School have organised a Bags 2 School collection on Sunday 21st November at Dishforth Village Hall, if you are unable to get your bags to the Village Hall, please can you bring them to school on the morning of the 22nd November and leave them at the gate to be collected. If it is raining, please leave them by the reception door, so that they don't get wet. As a school we get 40p per kilo.

Below is a list of what they will and will not accept.

WHAT WE COLLECT

We accept the following 'good quality' items for RE-USE*:

- Men's, Ladies' and Children's clothing
- Paired shoes (tied together or elastic band around)
- Handbags
- Hats
- Bags
- Scarves and ties
- Jewellery
- Lingerie
- Socks
- Belts
- Soft toys
- Household linen
- Household curtains
- Household towels
- Household bedding (bed sheets, pillow cases and duvet covers)

** We reserve the right to refuse any unsuitable items*

We **DO NOT** accept:

- *Duvets and blankets*
- *Pillows and cushions*
- *Carpets, rugs and mats (including bath, shower and toilet mats)*

- Soiled, painted, ripped or wet clothing
- School uniforms with and without logo
- Corporate clothing and workwear
- Textile off cuts, yarns or threaded material

In the event of inclement weather please protect your Bag2School investment by covering with a plastic sheet or storing bags undercover as wet items cannot be accepted.

Christmas Fair – Friday 9th December – Notice from Friends of Dishforth

Families and Friends are welcome to join us at this year's Christmas fair.

Where: Dishforth Primary School

When: Friday 9th December 2022

Time: From 2:45pm

Early Notification – Before we formally advertise the fair, if you would like to hire a table, they are £10 per table, just one of each brand, for example, only one 'Body Shop' but we can have other cosmetic brands at other tables.

To hire a table, please email admin@dishforth.n-yorks.sch.uk

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 tried very hard with learning their sounds and writing letters. They have been a good friend to everyone this week – Well done Oliver!

Class 1 - This week the ribbon goes to someone who is really working to be more independent with her learning. She always gives 100% effort when completing her work and is making good use of the provision in the classroom to practise the skills learned in lessons. She can often be seen helping and supporting others when working independently in the classroom. Amazing job Daisy!

Class 2 – The ribbon this week goes to someone who has shown great maturity. They offer very interesting considered contributions to whole class debate and always listens intently. This person is a good friend and a great role model in the class. Well done Daniel!

Class 3 – The ribbon this week is going to someone for their work in literacy when planning and writing a narrative. They have used the success criteria and challenged themselves to use a flashback effectively. Well done, Grace!

Values in Action

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

This person has been nominated because they are always willing to offer help to children and adults in the classroom.

The award goes to Dacian who was nominated by Lily A.

Well done, Dacian!



Attendance

Weekly Attendance			
Good attendance at school is key to your child's progress.			
Week commencing 7 th November 2022			
EYFS	Class 1	Class 2	Class 3
98.9%	91.9%	98.4%	96%

Kind regards

J M Lyon

Executive Head Teacher

Diary Dates

November 2022	
18/11/22	Children in Need Day – non-uniform
21/11/22	Year 6 Crucial Crew afternoon – funded by Friends of Dishforth
23/11/22	Flu Immunisation
24/11/22	Class 3 Mini-Medics afternoon – funded by Friends of Dishforth
December 2022	
5/12/22	Nativity – EYFS and Class 1 evening performance Year 5/6 sport afternoon with Dishforth Airfield Primary School (at Dishforth CE)
6/12/22	Nativity – EYFS and Class 1 morning performance

	Year 3/4 sport afternoon with Dishforth Airfield Primary School (at Dishforth CE)
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 Friends of Dishforth Annual Christmas Fair 2.45pm
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