



DISHFORTH C of E PRIMARY SCHOOL

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Dear Parents / Carers,

Thank you all very much for your understanding on Friday – the staff live in all different areas and the later start enabled them all to get into school safely.

This week we are ending the week with Comic Relief Day on Friday. As a school we are supporting this and the children can wear red noses or other red items and non-uniform for a £1 donation.

Mrs McBride has set the donation up on ParentPay which can be accessed through the following link:

<https://app.parentpay.com/ParentPayShop/Foc/Default.aspx?shopid=9986>

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 the numbers 9 and 10 in maths. We have matched pictures with the correct numeral, found two numbers that add up to 9 and 10, and ordered numbers 1-10. On Monday we all enjoyed a visit from Aquatic Finatic. We got to hold snakes, lizards, rabbits, mice and stroke a barn owl. It was a great experience for everyone.

Class 1 – We have had a great week in class 1. We have worked together to write a class book about birds, presenting our information really creatively and colourfully. We have all been measuring in maths, Year 1 have enjoyed measuring with non-standard units, like cubes, and have learned how to use a ruler to measure in cm. Year 2 have been measuring using their rulers and have been solving problems involving measuring. We have all enjoyed explaining how to measure and what to do to make sure we have measured correctly. We have learned the surrounding seas and oceans of the UK and even linked our science with maths, learning about the human body and comparing hand spans by age.

Class 2 – In Class 2 this week we have enjoyed completing our Biographical writing about Agatha Christie. We enjoyed revisiting our Geography learning and comparing aspects of Italy and the UK. In science we had fun understanding UV protection and we have also stepped up our rehearsals for our production by getting onto the stage! We can't wait to show you all our hard work in the coming weeks.

Class 3 - Class 3 have had a great week this week. They have been converting fractions, decimals and percentages and ordering them in ascending and descending order. In English, the children have been planning an emotive letter using informal and archaic language. This is based on a short WW2 film 'Beyond the Lines'. In PE they enjoyed playing games to help them with their passing in rugby. They played a short game at the end of the lesson and have picked up some key rules really quickly. In History, the children learnt about the causes of the war and ordered them from the ones they felt were the most significant cause, to the least. We also watched a video about Britain declaring war on Germany.

Year 5 Enrichment Day

On Monday 6th March, the Y5 children had an excellent day at Thirsk High School on their 'Enrichment Day'.

First, they completed a history lesson, creating their own timeline of significant events. Then, they played football on the astro-turf in PE.

After lunch, the children completed a food technology lesson, baking shortbread. They were very tasty. I think we may have some bakers on our hands!

In science the children did a test on the most absorbent biscuit, dipping them into a hot drink. They tested: custard creams, rich tea, chocolate digestives and hob nobs. Y5 also used a stop watch to see which would disintegrate quickest.

At the end of the day, the children looked at metaphors and similes in relation to poetry. The children had to think about someone they knew and describe them in relation to the weather, colour, day of the week, fruit, flower or food.

FEAST – Food, Entertainment, Arts, Sport, Together

FEAST brings the fun to the school holidays, offering lots of different activities for everyone to take part in.

All children and young people across North Yorkshire can get involved in a range of holiday activities, with free places and a free lunch for children and young people on benefits-related Free School Meals.

FEAST partners with leading holiday playschemes, clubs and activity providers from across North Yorkshire to offer a wide range of session for kids of all ages from 4 to 18.

For further information please visit:

<https://northyorkshiretogether.co.uk/feast/>

Easter School Lunch – Wednesday 29th March

Roast Chicken, Yorkshire Pudding with

Sage and Onion Stuffing

(V) Veggie Sausages and Yorkshire Pudding

Roast or Mashed Potatoes

Gravy

Broccoli and Sweetcorn

Chocolate Fudge Pudding and Chocolate Sauce



Summer Term School Dinner Menu

Attached to this newsletter is the Summer Term school dinner menu.

'Inspirational Woman' competition for Year 3, 4 and 5 children

Please see the attached poster regarding an essay writing competition for children in Years 3, 4 and 5 about inspirational women. The closing date is Friday 31st March.

School Car Park

I am hoping to update you further in next week's newsletter about the new school carpark. A meeting is planned for tomorrow between all parties and fingers crossed we can get some idea of when the carpark will be formally transferred to school.

Reading

All children need to read at home every day. Please listen to your child read and ask them questions about the text and / or pictures. Please ensure that you record what your child has read and how they have managed with their reading in their record book. **Reading and record books need to be in school every day so that they can be checked and new books issued.**

PE and Forest Schools – this half term

EYFS: Friday

Class 1: Monday and Wednesday

Class 2: swimming Thursdays and dance

Class 3: Monday and Thursday

Forest Schools

Children in **EYFS** are having Forest Schools on a **Wednesday**. Please can children bring into school a waterproof coat, tracksuit bottoms and trainers / wellies – something that you don't mind getting wet and dirty!!

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

Friends of Dishforth are holding a Family Bingo event on Saturday 25th March in Dishforth Village Hall from 6.30pm. Tickets cost £2 and a game of Bingo is £1.

Chocolate donations will be greatly appreciated – please deliver to the school office by the 22nd March – thank you!

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 settled in very well into his new class. He is friendly to everyone and has made some good friendships. He tries very hard with everything that he does, especially in maths. Well done Daniel!

Class 1 – The ribbon this week goes to someone who worked really hard on their writing this week. Very quietly this person really worked hard and produced an excellent interview with their chosen bird. They are really working hard to control the size of their writing and their letter formation. Keep up the great work Denny!

Class 2 – The ribbon in class 2 this week goes to someone who has shown a real determination to improve their writing. They are working hard to include aspects of our learning to make their writing better and they check their work thoroughly. Well done Jacob!

Class 3 – The ribbon this week goes to someone for their work in history when ordering the causes of World War 2. He worked well in his group and shared his ideas clearly which is one of our history skills. Well done to Jack L!

Values in Action

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



This person has been nominated because they never gave up when building a snowman and they are a very nice person. You can trust them to listen to you and play with you.

The award goes to Esmay who was nominated by Evie.

Well done, Esmay!

Attendance

Weekly Attendance

Good attendance at school is key to your child's progress.

Week commencing 6th March 2023

EYFS	Class 1	Class 2	Class 3
95%	95.4%	95.6%	91%

Kind regards

J M Lyon

Executive Head Teacher

Diary Dates

March 2023	
17/3/23	Comic Relief Day – Red Nose Day Clubs finish
22/3/23	Dentist talk in EYFS
25/3/23	Friends of Dishforth event – Family Bingo 6.30pm Dishforth Village Hall
29/3/23	Class 2 Production of ‘Mystery at Magpie Manor’ Day performance: 2pm Evening performance: 6pm (children to arrive back at 5.40pm)
31/3/23	Baldersby St James Church – afternoon Easter Service 1.30pm – children can be collected from church for the Easter Holiday. Break-up for Easter 3.15pm
April 2023	
17/4/23	School open for the summer term Class 3 trip to Eden Camp with Dishforth Airfield
May 2023	
1/5/23	May Bank Holiday Monday – school closed for one day
8/5/23	Bank Holiday Monday – King’s Coronation
9-12 May 2023	Year 6 SAT week Tuesday – Friday
26/5/23	Break-up May half term 3.15pm
June 2023	
5/6/23	School open Year 4 Multiplication Check window begins
12/6/23	Phonic Screen Check window
29/6/23	Year 5 Enrichment Day Thirsk School Day 2

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