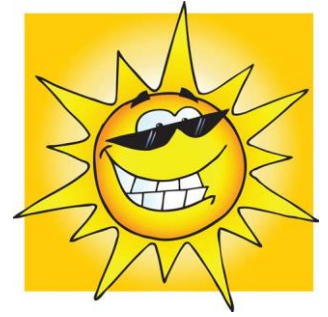




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Dear Parents / Carers,

I hope you have all had a super weekend and enjoyed the glorious weather. I am sure you will have seen the forecast for this week and the predicted high temperatures so please can the children all bring sunhats into school along with their water bottle and have a base layer of sun cream on as well. Thank you.

Class News:

Every week the classes will share the highlights of what they have been learning about with our families:

EYFS – This week in EYFS we have enjoyed hearing about what adventures the children had over half-term. We have started our new topic "We are off on adventure". This week we have had an adventure into the past, reading the book "Peepo". We have made our own Peepo books and written sentences about what we can see. In maths we have been sharing equally. We have been exploring 3D art further making caterpillar models out of air-drying clay.

Class 1 – This week in Class 1 we have been continuing our story of Grandad's Island and have written a letter from Grandad to Syd telling him about all of the lovely things he has been doing. In maths year 2 have been learning about statistics, interpreting and drawing different kinds of graphs and year 1 have been looking at how numbers up to 100 are made of tens and ones. In art the children have enjoyed carefully observing and drawing different parts of birds from artwork and have really enjoyed discussing their artwork. In geography we have begun to compare Australia to the UK and have found out that in length Australia is over 4 times longer! We have planted some more seeds to watch them grow and have planned which fruits and other ingredients we will put into our fruit layered desserts.

Class 2 – This week in Class 2 we have had a great week. We loved our Art learning where we have sculpted characters using newspaper and we have begun to use mod-roc to create our sculptures. In Maths this week we have been looking at time. Year 4 have been solving problems using the 24-hour clock, while year 3 have been solving problems to the nearest minute. In English, we have used a film clip to look at enhancing our vocabulary choices and in History we have continued our learning on the Victorian era. Looking this week at the development of the railways. In PE we looked at how we throw a shot put and in Science with Mrs Blyton we looked at our skeletons.

Class 3 - Class 3 have had a fantastic week exploring our new book in English (Town is by the Sea). They have made predictions and inferences about the characters and the theme of mining. The children have been looking at decimals in Y5 and position and direction in Y6. We have also been lucky enough to have Game of Actual Life which is a day of activities linking to real-life situations, including: voting in an election, getting a job, paying taxes, mortgages and passing their driving test. They were a true credit to our school and they set a fantastic example of all of our values throughout the day. Well done Class 3!

Open the Book

On Friday we welcomed Open the Book into school where the team led our Collective Worship with a dramatization of the Bible Story, Jesus Heals a Paralysed Man.

Game of Actual Life

The children in Class 3 participated in a workshop on Wednesday last week. It taught the children about life skills involving getting a job, driving a car, buying houses, taxes, voting in an election and managing money. They added up all of their earnings at the end of a day and enjoyed finding out who was at the top of the "rich list". They had perfect behaviour and won more money because of their fantastic listening.

PCSO visits this week

PCSO Liam Bradbury-Monk from the Ripon Neighbourhood Policing Team is making a few visits this week to speak to the children in KS1 and KS2 on age-appropriate topics such as peer pressure, road safety and stranger danger.

Training Day – Friday 23rd June

Just a reminder that on Friday 23rd June school is closed to the children as it is a staff training day.

Parent / Carer Information Session – Reception children in September

On Monday 26th June at 5pm we are holding a parent / carer information session for children who will be in Reception in September.

Macbeth

We are looking forward to seeing Class 3 perform 'Macbeth' on Tuesday 27th June at 2pm and then at the later time of 6pm. For the evening performance, please can children return to school at 5.40pm.

School will be filming the dress rehearsal which the whole school will watch and then this will be put securely on the school website with a password.

There is to be no filming on mobile phones or any other device at the performances – thank you.

FEAST: Food. Entertainment. Arts. Sport. Together

Please see the information below regarding the FEAST programme in North Yorkshire over the summer holidays.

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

All children and young people across North Yorkshire can get involved in a range of sessions, with free places and a free lunch for those on benefits-related Free School Meals, thanks to funding from the Department for Education.

*To see all the fantastic activities on offer and learn more about how to claim a free place,
<https://northyorkshiretogether.co.uk/feast/>*

There is so much to choose from – come and take a look at what's on!

The FEAST programme is provided by North Yorkshire Together, commissioned by North Yorkshire Council and funded by the Department for Education.

If you have any questions, please contact us at hello@northyorkshiretogether.co.uk

School Dinners - September

We have been informed by County Caters that due to rising costs there will be a price increase on school dinners for children in Years 3-6 from September. The cost in September will be £3.13

Nursery meals will also increase to £2.10

National Curriculum Assessments

Year 1 Phonic Screen Check

Children in Year 1 will take the phonic screen check during this week commencing. The outcome of this check is reported to parents by the end of the summer term.

Year 4 Multiplication Check

Children in Year 4 will take the national multiplication check in June during a two-week window commencing on the 5th June. The outcome of this check is reported to parents by the end of the summer term. Please refer to the parent / carer information document which is attached to this newsletter.

School Uniform

A polite reminder that children need to wear school shoes as part of their uniform. In summer, girls can wear red checked dresses. Again, school shoes are part of the summer uniform as opposed to open-toe sandals. Children still need practical footwear for school that protects their feet, allows them to move about and climb on trim trails!

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 Days

EYFS: Friday

Class 1: Thursday and Friday

Class 2: Monday and Wednesday

Class 3: Monday and Thursday

Sun Cream

Please can I ask parents to ensure the children have sun cream applied to them before they come to school in the morning when the forecast is due to be sunny and also please do send into school a bottle of sun cream labelled with your child's name on it so that they can apply it when necessary over the summer months – 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.

Vacancies

We currently have 2 vacancies, one is for a Breakfast Club Supervisor and the other is for an MSA, GTA & Afterschool Club Supervisor. If you know anyone who may be interested in either of these positions, please find attached more information. The closing date for both positions is the 30th June at 12pm and interviews will take place on Friday 7th July in the afternoon.

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 made super progress in their maths work. They are able to clearly explain their thinking when explaining an answer to a question - well done Elenna!

Class 1 – The ribbon for class 1 this week goes to someone who has a fantastic attitude towards their work and is really showing great confidence and perseverance. Well done Josephine!

Class 2 – The ribbon in Class 2 this week goes to someone who has shown fantastic maturity. They have worked hard all week in all areas and have supported other children in their work. Well done Alex R!

Class 3 – The ribbon is going to someone who has shown compassion by helping our new starter and other children in our class during some of our lessons this week. Well done, Phoebe!

Values in Action

This week our Values Award goes to someone for demonstrating our school value of perseverance.



This person has been nominated because in our dance 'Sonic Battle' they remembered the steps really well!

The award goes to Ash who was nominated by Ava, Sophie and Sophie.

Well done, Ash!

Attendance

Weekly Attendance

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

Good attendance is essential for pupils to get the most out of their school experience, including their attainment, wellbeing, and wider life chances. Nationwide research has shown that the pupils with the highest attainment at the end of key stage 2 have had higher rates of attendance throughout primary school, compared to those with the lowest attainment. The government aims for all pupils to have a minimum of 95% attendance across the school year, and any child with less than 90% attendance is recorded as a persistent absentee. Here is our school's current overview of attendance:

Week commencing 5th June 2023

EYFS	Class 1	Class 2	Class 3
100%	99.1%	96.5%	93%

Kind regards

J M Lyon

Executive Head Teacher

Diary Dates

June 2023	
12/6/23	Phonic Screen Check window
20/6/23	Dr Krippner, Director of Music, Ripon Cathedral
23/6/23	TRAINING DAY – SCHOOL IS CLOSED FOR THE DAY
26/6/23	Parent Information Session – Reception children in September 5pm
27/6/23	CLASS 3 PRODUCTION OF MACBETH 2pm and 6pm
July 2023	
3/7/23	Afternoon – Sports Day (time TBC)
4/7/23	Class 1 visit to Ripon Cathedral
5-7 July 23	Boroughbridge High School transition days
10-14 July 23	Thirsk High School transition days
10/7/23	Reading Challenge assembly by Boroughbridge Library
13/7/23	Whole school transition morning (TBC)
17/7/23	School Reports home (Alternative Sports Day if the 3 rd July is cancelled)
18/7/23	Class 2 visit to Ripon Museum
19/7/23	Year 6 Leavers' Assembly – afternoon
20/7/23	Year 6 Treat
21/7/23	Break-up for summer holidays at 2.30pm (no after school club)
September 2023	
4/9/23	TRAINING DAY
5/9/23	School open for the 2023-24 academic year
October 2023	
27/10/23	Break-up October half term

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