



DUSSINDALE MONTHLY NEWSLETTER APRIL 12TH



Together on a voyage of discovery...
raising standards and safeguarding children

Welcome back

We are delighted to welcome our community back for the summer term. We hope you were all able to enjoy the Easter break from school. With the weather predicted to soon turn and nature coming to life, we're feeling hopeful for the term ahead and hope you are too.

Please continue to check the diary dates on the back page of this and future newsletters.



COVID-19 reminder

In line with the DFE guidance and school risk assessment, we continue with the following procedures to mitigate the risks of COVID-19 in our school community:

- Staggered start and finish times:
 - Year R drop off at 9 am and collect at 2.45 pm
 - Year 1 drop off at 9.05 am and collect at 2.50 pm
 - Year 2 drop off at 9.10 am and collect at 2.55 pm
 - Year 6 enter at 8.30 am, collecting from the top playground at 3 pm
 - Year 5 enter at 8.40 am, collecting from the hall playground at 3.05 pm
 - Year 4 enter the site at 8.50 am, collecting from the top playground at 3.15 pm
 - Year 3 enter the site at 9 am, collecting from the hall playground at 3.20 pm
 - *If a parent/carer has children in multiple year groups, they should enter the site at the time of the eldest pupil, dropping off and collecting siblings on route as they move through the site.*
- Only one adult per family bringing and collecting children from the site
- A one way system for bringing and collecting children from the site
- Adults asked to wear masks when on the site
- Pupils come in PE kits on the relevant days
- Pupils bring minimum things from home in a tote or drawstring bag
- If your child exhibits any COVID-19 symptoms:
 - Temperature above 37.8
 - New continuous cough
 - Loss of taste or smellyou will be required to collect them and arrange a COVID-19 test.
- If your child has to self isolate, learning will be set remotely.

We thank you in anticipation of your support to keep our school community safe.



Celebration of Lockdown

We are now one year on from the first national lockdown due to the COVID-19 pandemic. We would like you to take a moment to reflect on the past year. Did you learn a new life skill in lockdown? Did you master a recipe? Did you show resilience in a challenge that you set yourself? No matter how big or small, we would like to hear from you! This will then be included in our '**Dussindale Celebration of Lockdown**', which will focus on the positives from this time.

Please send your photos, videos or comments to the email address:
office-ds@yare-edu.org.uk

We look forward to hearing from you!



Assembly value



The value from the Successful Learner Web which pupils will be focusing on this half term in assembly is 'ethical' - showing moral standards and principles.

This weeks story is 'The Tiny Seed' by Eric Carle, which will remind pupils to be ethical and persevere in all they do.

Online Safety Group

Are you interested in joining our Online Safety Group?

We are looking for family members (to represent all year groups) to join termly group (virtual) meetings.

The aim of the group is to work together to keep up to date with developments in online safety, as we support our Dussindale children to be responsible 'digital citizens' and teach them how to be safe online.

You don't have to be a tech expert, but just have an interest in working together within the community, in the best interests of our pupils.

Please email Sally Bailey (deputy-ds@yare-edu.org.uk) by Friday 23rd April with your contact details if you are interested, or if you would like to find out more.

Internet
Safety



Well done!

It was lovely to read that Taya from Coral Class has been responsibly working to keep the Dussindale Community litter free during the Easter break. Concerned about the amount of litter everywhere and the impact it could have on animals habitats she asked her parents to contact the local council to see if they could borrow litter picks to safely pick up the rubbish while out for daily walks.

Filling several sacks, we are very proud of what Taya has achieved and her desire to keep our streets and countryside litter free.



Great Learning

It was wonderful to read the postcards Nabeel, Freya, Joel, Corey and Phoebe in Year 3 received from their teachers for the homework they completed last term!

It was marvellous to visit Reception at the end of last term and hear what they had learnt about the Easter story and see the Easter gardens they were creating.



It was also delightful to hear how Year 5 looked at Anglo Saxon brooches and learnt about how they were used as functional and decorative items which also were signs of wealth, before making their own out of clay.

World Book Day - Window Book Cover Competition

Thank you to all the families that took part in the World Book Day competition, sending in photos of their book cover decorated windows. Facilitated by Mrs Black, the school librarians judged the entries and the winners were Imogen Ducker, Corey Gibbs and Honey Pitcher. Well done!

The photos below are some of the entries.



Reminders

School Lunches

Don't forget to order next weeks school lunches via Pupil Asset by close of day on Wednesday 14th April. Meal choices for the week are:

MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
Chicken Breast	Pork Sausages	Chicken, Yorkshire Pudding, Gravy	Hamburger with Cheese in a Bun	Breaded Fish Fingers
Quorn Goujons	Quorn Sausages Onion Gravy	Sweet Pepper & Sweetcorn Risotto	Vegetarian Burger with Cheese in a Bun	Vegetable Fingers
Sweet Potato Fries	Mashed Potato Seasonal Vegetables	Roast Potatoes Seasonal Vegetables	Sweetcorn, Red Pepper Relish & Herby Diced Potatoes	Garden Peas
Seasonal Vegetables	Dessert of the day (please see below)	Dessert of the day (please see below)	Dessert of the day (please see below)	Chunky chipped Potatoes
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Fresh Bread Daily. Jacket Potato, choice of Tuna, Cheese or Baked Beans. Packed Lunch; Cheese, Ham or Tuna Mini Baguette, Crudities, Fruit, Yoghurt & Dessert of the Day.

Jelly, Yoghurt, Fresh Fruit plus a daily *Healthy School Choice* Dessert

PTFA



Thank you to all the families and friends that supported the PTFA Easter Decorated Egg competition and lottery last term. The PTFA look forward to announcing the amount made in a future newsletter. Don't forget the next PTFA meeting is 6pm on Tuesday 20th April and a zoom link will be sent out in next weeks newsletter. We look forward to seeing you there!

Diary Dates

Monday 12th April – First day of summer term
 Tuesday 20th April – 6pm PTFA Zoom meeting
 Friday 23rd April – Drake Class Assembly via Google Classrooms
 Wednesday 28th April – RSE meeting for parents via Zoom
 Friday 30th April – Coral Class Assembly via Google Classrooms
 Monday 3rd May – May Bank Holiday – School closed
 Friday 7th May – Magellan Class Assembly via Google Classrooms
 Friday 14th May – Pyjamarama Day, celebrating reading
 Thursday 20th May – Outdoor Classroom Day
 Friday 21st May – Java Class Assembly via Google Classrooms
 Friday 28th May – Ericson Class Assembly via Google Classrooms
 Friday 28th May – Last day of half term
 Monday 31st May to Friday 4th June – Half term - School Closed
 Monday 7th June – First day of summer term 2
 Friday 11th June – Caspian Class Assembly via Google Classrooms
 Friday 18th June – Columbus Class Assembly via Google Classrooms
 Friday 25th June – Purple Picnic
 Friday 2nd July – EYFS Assembly via Tapestry
 Friday 9th July – Med Class Assembly via Google Classrooms
 Wednesday 14th July – Annual pupil reports to parents

