



DUSSINDALE WEEKLY  
2ND MAY 2023



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

## Greetings

We hope you enjoyed the long weekend with your families. This week continues to be very busy as we prepare for the Kings Coronation with regal or red, white and blue non uniform day on Friday 5th May and a family picnic in the school grounds at 3.30 pm. This week our assemblies continue with an ethical theme and will also focus on the Coronation of the King Charles III. Other events this week include the Year 1 and 2 parents Sounds Write session at 6pm on Wednesday 3rd May and the PTFA Pounds and Pennies event at 8.30am on the playground on Friday 5th May.



## Congratulations

Congratulations to Olivia in Year 6 for passing her grade 1 piano exam.



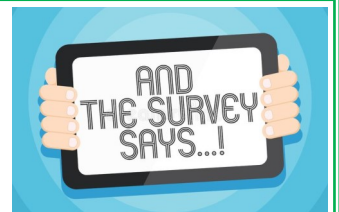
## Positive Feedback



Following their visit to the Castle museum, we were pleased to receive the following feedback "What a lovely school and class they have at Dussindale. They were lovely and answered all the questions I fired at them today and were fully engaged in every part of the lesson. Hopefully they had fun and maybe learnt a little about the Roman Army."

## Parental survey results

Thank you to the 36% of parents and carers who completed our school survey. Over 96% said their children were happy to be at Dussindale Primary School and were well taught. 94% said the school had high expectations for their child and 88% said they were aware of what they were learning in class. Over 90% reported they know who to contact if they have a concern and that it is dealt with properly. Areas parents and carers wrote could be improved were: more detailed information about events they were invited to attend during the school day, greater range of afterschool clubs across the school year, opportunities for competitive sporting events. The school will be looking to implement these recommendations over the forthcoming months.



## PTFA

On Friday 5th May, the PTFA invite children to wear regal or red, white and blue clothing

when their parents donate a bottle for the Tombola at the school fete. In addition they invite pupils to bring their pennies (and pounds) for the fundraising event in the playgrounds that morning – when pupils work as a team to create the longest line of money.



## King Charles III Coronation



family time.

During the afternoon of Friday 5th May pupils will be participating in some fun activities with their classes. In addition we are inviting all our families to stay after school for an outdoor community picnic. Families are invited to bring a blanket/chairs, a picnic and a game to enjoy some

## Year 1 and 2 parents and carers information session about the Sounds Write Phonics Programme

As previously advertised in the diary dates, Mrs Black invites parents and carers with children in Year 1 and 2 to an information session about the Sounds Write Phonics Programme on Wednesday 3rd May at 6pm. The session will include a presentation of approximately thirty minutes and opportunity for questions and answers.



## Parent Forum

At our last meeting we discussed the Year 6 Leavers arrangements, safeguarding, educational visits and PTFA fundraising.

Mrs Gascoigne-Wiseman has finalised the arrangements for the Year 6 leavers. The arrangements include:

- A video assembly
- A hoodie and leavers book
- A party taking place during school hours
- Year 6 Disco at Thorpe High School for new Year 7 students (14th July 2023)

The PFTA are currently looking into an end of year disco for all year groups.

We discussed school enrichment activities for the academic year 2023-2024. Parents would like as much advance notice of events as possible and to be able to pay for residential trips in instalments. Residential visits have been booked for Year 4 and Year 6 for the next academic year. Parents with children currently in Year 3 and Year 5 will receive a letter in June with more information and the payment options. Parents also shared that the recent Year 5 visit to see Wicked in London was a huge success and this should be repeated next year.

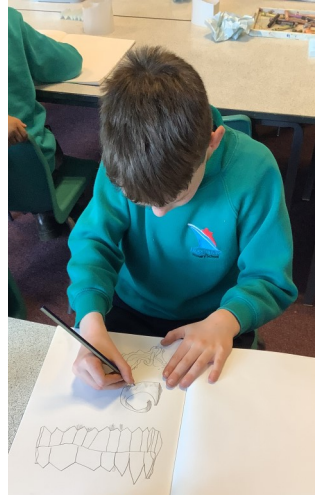
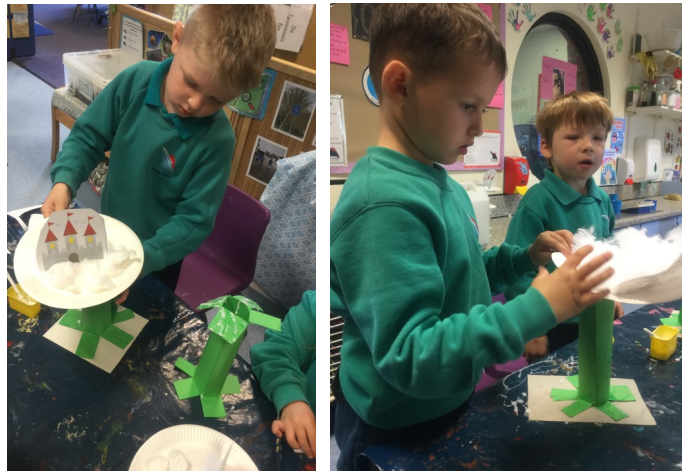
We also discussed the recent Safeguarding newsletter for parents. It was agreed that these newsletters are useful and informative but it would be useful to have Norfolk Police deliver some workshops for parents. Norfolk Police Safer Schools team deliver an annual workshop for parents and have sent a link to their recent online safety webinar. This link will take you to the webinar: [Norfolk Police Online Safety Webinar](#). This webinar is worth watching as it provides some good advice for parents on how to keep your child safe online. As a school we will think of workshops that school staff can deliver.

If you are interested in joining the Parent Forum please contact Mrs Bradley either via the school's office email or by phoning the school.



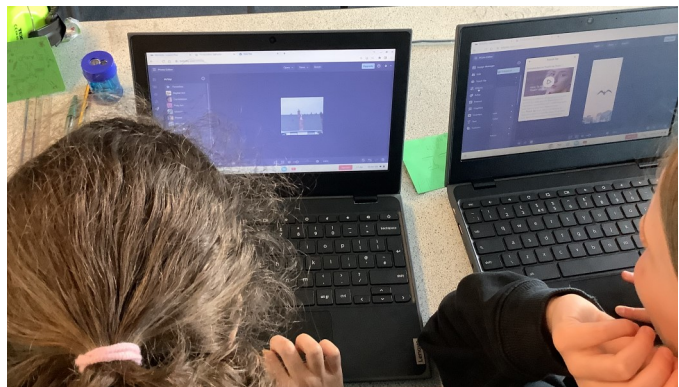
## Great learning

As part of their learning about Jack and the Beanstalk, children in Reception have been practicing their construction skills by making their own beanstalk model which they can use to act out and retell the story!



Year 2 began their first lesson of the unit drawing to the slow rhythm of a metronome.

Year 4 learnt about Photo editing software in Computing.



## Reminders

### School Lunches

Please order or cancel your child's school lunch, via Parent Portal by 8am on the day.

Week (1) beginning 8th May April 2023

MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
	Chicken Pasta Bake	Roast Turkey with Yorkshire Pudding, roast potatoes and gravy	Hot Dog	Battered fish and chips
	Quorn Pasta Bake	Quorn roast	Veggie Hot Dog	Quorn Fajita
Bank holiday	Garlic bread	Peas	Herb diced potato	Peas
	Mixed Vegetables	Carrots	Sweetcord	Beans or Peas
	A selection of desserts	A selection of desserts	A selection of desserts	A selection of desserts

## Week (2) beginning 15th May 2023

MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
Chinese Chicken Noodles	Pork Meatballs and rice	Roast Chicken, Yorkshire pudding, roast potato and gravy	Sausage Roll	Fish fingers and chips
Chinese Quorn Noodles	Quorn Meatballs and rice	Quorn roast	Vegan Sausage Roll	Vegetable fingers and chips
			Wedges	Beans
Broccoli	Mixed vegetables	Peas/Carrots	Sweetcorn	Peas
A selection of desserts	A selection of desserts	A selection of desserts	A selection of desserts	A selection of desserts

Jacket potatoes available each day: cheese, beans or tuna mayo served with fresh salad and homemade bread  
½ baguette available each day either filled with cheese, ham or tuna mayo

### Lost Property

Please name all items of clothing so it can be returned to pupils. Unnamed items will be kept in the office for a fortnight for collection.

### P.E. Kit

When it is a day where children have P.E. they are expected to wear a white t-shirt, plain black shorts and plimsolls/trainers or plain tracksuit, **without logos**.

### Homework

Please continue to support your child/ren with their homework in Years 1–6; by completing tasks on their homework grid to reinforce learning. Grids are available on the website.

### Start of the Day

The site opens at 8.30 am and the doors at 8.40 am. The gates close at 8.50 am as this is registration. Any child arriving after 8.50 am will need to enter by the main office.

### Parking

Please park cars in Sainsbury's car park at the start and end of the school day, walking through to the school site to keep our children safe and residents happy.

### Benjamin DAB

Sessions times and costs are 7.30 am to 8.40 am for £6 and 3.20 pm - 6 pm. For £12 The majority of the sessions will be in the school hall and will be operated by school staff.

## Diary Dates

Tuesday 2nd May — NEU Strike — Year 4 and 5 closed

Wednesday 3rd May — Sounds Write parents meeting for Year 1 and 2 at 6 pm

Friday 5th May — Regal or red, white and blue non uniform day — PTFA event

Friday 5th May — Pounds and pennies — PTFA event

Friday 5th May — After school street party — bring your family, picnic, blanket and a game

Monday 8th May — Bank holiday Monday

Tuesday 9th — Friday 12th May — Key Stage 2 SATs week (breakfast daily 8 am)

Wednesday 17th May — Year 3 to Multiskills sports event at TSAHS

Monday 22nd June — Year 5/6 girls cricket event