

DUSSINDALE NEWS



Week beginning: Monday 22nd January 2024

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Welcome

Welcome to a new week at school. We look forward to welcoming you for our family learning sessions which will focus on Maths. We also look forward to welcoming the choir from Hemblington Primary School this week as we prepare for our Young Voices concert. Good luck to our children heading to the Year 5/6 and girls Under 11's NCFC events. Our assemblies continue with our school value of "being resilient" through the story of 'After the Fall'. The story follows Humpty Dumpty as he faces his fear of being up high and how he overcomes this. We will consider how we can face problems and become more resilient.



Be Ready

Well done to our group of children who are heading to London next Monday to sing at the O2 for the Young Voices concert. They have been busy rehearsing at school learning the lines and dance moves so they are ready on the day.

Be Amazing!

Well done to our first group of children who have achieved their 100 Dojos "Silver Award" certificate. These children are: Millie in Rosen Class, Koji and Edward H in Parks Class, Verity and Maizie in Obama Class, Joshua in Mandela Class, Tatendaishe in Goodall Class as well as Anna, Annabel, Florence, Myra, Patrick and Sophia from Franklin Class.



School Governance - Can you help?

The Governing Body of Dussindale and Hemblington Primary Schools currently have vacancies for parent representation from each site. As volunteers, school governors carry out a valuable role in supporting and constructively challenging our schools in the best interests of pupils. If you would be interested in this role and want to know more - please email head-ds@yare-edu.org.uk

SENCo Coffee Morning

We will be holding our next SENCO coffee morning on Monday 26th Feb at 9am. Mr Salgado (Thorpe St Andrew High School Senco) will be joining us. He will talk to parents/carers about the schools SEND provision/transition arrangements. Refreshments will be provided.



Together on a voyage of discovery...

Be responsible, Be respectful, Be resilient and Be ready



Mental Health



WHAT IS A MENTAL HEALTH SUPPORT TEAM (MHST)?

MHSTs are intended to provide early mental health support to children and young people in education settings with mild to moderate mental health concerns. Your child's school has signed up to be part of this government programme to support children and young people with mild to moderate emerging mental health issues, and so, has a team of NHS staff now linked to the school and available to support and help.

The team is made up of different clinical staff who are trained in mental health. They are able to provide:

Individual face-to-face work (online or in-person), such as brief, low-intensity interventions for children, young people and families experiencing anxiety, low mood or behavioural difficulties.

Group work for pupils or parents, such as Cognitive Behavioural Therapy (CBT) informed guided self help for young people with conditions such as anxiety.

Ask to speak to schools mental health lead about referrals. Our mental health lead is: Sarah Dorling

House Winners

Congratulations to Hickling House who were the Autumn Term House Winners with 1083 points!



Bikeability

We are delighted that Pedal Power will be returning to school in March to deliver Level 1 Bike Training to children in Years 4 and 5. Any child that takes part will need a bike and helmet to .Look out for a letter coming soon.



Family Learning Sessions

Parents/carers are invited into their child's classroom this term to learn about an element of Maths. The sessions run from 8.50-9.20am. The dates are:



- **Monday 22nd January -Years 4 and 5.** See how we teach our children to solve worded problems using the bar model-a strategy that can be used at home.
- **Tuesday 23rd January -Years 1 and 2.** See how we teach our children to learn their number facts through the Mastering Number Program.
- **Wednesday 24th January-EYFS.** See how we teach our children to be confident with their numbers to 10 and learn number facts.
- **Thursday 25th January -Year 6.** Parents from both classes are invited in the hall to gain an insight in how we teach the four main calculations.
- **Friday 26th January-Year 3.** See how we teach our children to solve worded problems using the bar model-a strategy that can be used at home.



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Librarians Visit to Bookbugs and Dragon Tales Bookshop



On Saturday, Mrs Black and Mrs Bradley took the librarians to Bookbugs and Dragon Tales to purchase some new books for the library. The PTFA had kindly donated £300 for some new books so we gave the librarians the task of selecting books for all year groups. The children were fantastic ambassadors for our school and had a great time selecting books, completing some book craft and even got to meet an author!



A Message for Safer Internet Day, 2024, from Norfolk Constabulary's Children and Young People Team.

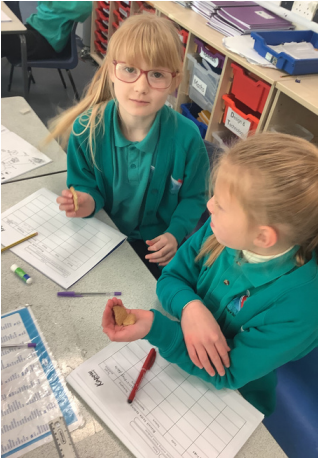
Dear Parents and Carers,

February 6th, 2024, marks this year's Safer Internet Day. We can all play a part in keeping children and young people safe online and I am writing to tell you that online safety remains one of the Constabulary's main priorities. With this in mind, we would like to share some links and resources with you.

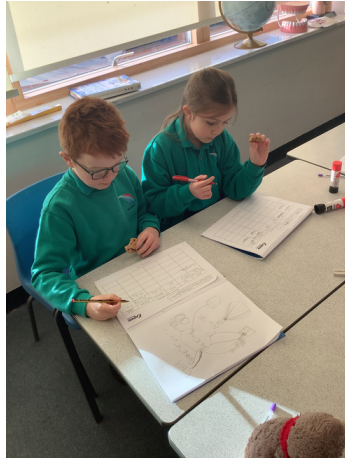
- Organisers of Safer Internet Day, The Safer Internet Centre, have a wealth of information for parents and carers on their website on the "Guides and Resources" section. Go to www.saferinternet.org.uk
- Setting boundaries and rules about your child's internet use as early as possible will help you to have open and honest conversations about any issues that arise. Please find below both a colour and black and white copy of Norfolk Constabulary's 'Family Internet Agreement' to help you do this.
- Head to YouTube where you will find a recording of the webinar we delivered on Safer Internet Day, 2023, [Recorded Online Safety webinar for parents and carers \(youtube.com\)](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=...)
- Follow National Online Safety on Twitter - @natonlinesafety; Instagram - @nationalonlinesafety; or search "National Online Safety" on Facebook. You can also download the "National Online Safety" app in the Play Store, or on Google Play. Here you will find information about games, websites and apps young people are using so you can make sure your knowledge is up to date.
- The National Crime Agency's Child Exploitation and Online Protection (CEOP) Education team have a parent and carer area on their website where you can get advice about online safety [Parents and carers | CEOP Education \(thinkuknow.co.uk\)](https://www.thinkuknow.co.uk/parents/) If you are worried that your child is being groomed online, or sexually exploited, you can find advice about reporting by clicking on the 'How to get help' tab.
- The Internet Watch Foundation and the NSPCC have developed the 'Report Remove' tool, in partnership with age verification app, [Yoti](https://www.yoti.com/). Report Remove can support a young person in reporting sexual images or videos shared online and enables them to get the image removed if it is illegal. Go to [Report Remove \(iwf.org.uk\)](https://www.reportremove.org.uk/)

Inspector Bex Brown
Norfolk Constabulary, Children and Young People Team.

FANTASTIC LEARNING



Year 4 have been on the search for the best biscuit in their D and T lesson this week.



The whole school had an opportunity to develop their basketball skills when 'Hoopstars' Norwich came into school to facilitate taster sessions.



Year 2 have learnt about lifecycles in their science lesson .



Year 1 went outside to practice being Beebots, giving each other instructions.

Year 2 enjoyed their walk to the local church. They learnt how important the church is to people in the community.



In Reception we are learning that we all have different strengths and that we can ask our friends if we need help.



REMINDERS

School Lunches

Please order (or cancel) your child's school lunch, via Parent Portal by 8am on the day. If a lunch has not been ordered you may be phoned and asked to bring a packed lunch for your child. Unfortunately, Aspens informed us at the end of the last day of term, that the revised/new menu will not be available until after February half term 2024.

School Day

The site opens at 8.30am and the doors at 8.40 am. The gates close at 8.50am as this is registration. In the afternoon the gates open at 3.10pm ready for Reception to be collected at 3.15 pm and Year 1-6 at 3.20 pm.

School Uniform

Pupils are expected to wear a jade sweatshirt with the school logo, jade green polo shirt, navy trousers, shorts or skirt with green, navy or white tights or socks and plain black, flat shoes with a good sole grip. Green and white gingham dresses are also permitted. Your child's teacher will confirm when the class are learning PE and on these days children are expected to attend in a white t-shirt, black shorts, dark colour trainers and or black, navy or grey tracksuit. Please note all clothing must be plain with no logos.

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.

Attendance

If your child is absent please ensure you let the office know by either leaving a message on the school answer phone 01603 436180 or email office-ds@yare-edu.org.uk. Please be aware that when children reach 9 unauthorised sessions within a six week period, schools are now required to issue a fixed penalty notice. If you are worried about your child's attendance Just One Norfolk have some useful advice: <https://www.justonenorfolk.nhs.uk/attendance>
Please refrain from using Class Dojo for reporting absences as the office team do not have access to it.

Benjamin DAB - Breakfast and After School Club

Breakfast club sessions run from 7:30am to 8:40am and cost £6. A choice of cereals and toast are available. After school sessions run from 3:20pm to 6:00pm and cost £12. All children are provided with a school snack pack. Sessions are operated by school staff and will usually take place in the hall. Sessions are filling fast, with some already being full up. For any enquiries, please email benjamindab@yare-edu.org.uk

Parking

Can we please remind parents to use Sainsbury's Car Park and walk through to the Vane Close school gate to keep our pupils safe and ensure they respect local residents.

Spare Clothes

As we head into the colder months we are need of some spare clothes to keep in our First Aid room. The items we need are girls/boys bottoms, tights, socks and pants for all year groups. Any spare items can be given to the office or passed on to a member of staff.

Pupil Admission Number

We have been asked to make parents aware that we are currently consulting on a proposed change to our admission numbers - details can be found [here](#).

Guide for parents worried about Neurodiversity Differences/Additional Needs

This NHS [guide](#) (on the SEND page of the school website) signpost families to resources and services to support you on your journey as well as useful information about training, EHCPs and help with sleep and mental health difficulties. Please reach out to these services for help.

Clubs

This half term the following clubs are running: Art and Craft for Years 1 and 2 on a Monday, Tennis for Year 5 on Tuesday, Year 4 on Wednesday, Year 3 on Thursday, Girls Football for Years 2 - 6 on Monday, Kindness in the Community Years 1 to 3 on a Wednesday and Never too old to play for Years 2, 3 and 4 on a Monday. Clubs will run from week beginning 15th January to Friday 9th February 2024, 3.30 - 4.30 pm, except sport which will run until Friday 22nd March. Snow White also continues this term on a Wednesday 3.30 - 4.30 pm.

Children's Mental Health Week - Parents Coffee Morning/Workshop

Our Mental Health Support team invite parents and carers to a coffee morning and anxiety workshop at 9am on Thursday 8th Feb in the school hall.

Year R Height and Weight Checks

If your child is not taking part in the Year R Height and Weight Checks on the 12th and 13th February please return the form in this [link](#).

Dyslexia Awareness Training

Tues 6 Feb 2024 9.30 – 11.45AM	Technology Focus (secondary age) – The workshop will explore technology useful for supporting a dyslexic young person with reading, writing, spelling and maths at high school.	£10 per person
Weds 27 Mar 2024 9.30 – 11.45AM	Making Learning Stick (all ages) - The workshop will explore what working memory is, as well as many ways for you to support your child with working memory skills to help increase their confidence and ability when reading, writing, doing arithmetic or studying for exams.	£10 per person
Thurs 2 May 2024 9.30 – 11.45AM	Supporting Maths Difficulties (all ages) - The workshop will look at the types of challenges a dyslexic young person might face when doing maths and explore a wide range of practical support tools, resources and apps that you can use at home to support your child.	£10 per person
Tues 18 Jun 2024 9.30 – 11.45AM	Reading/Spelling Strategies (primary age) – The workshop will look at the types of challenges a dyslexic young person might face when doing reading and spelling, and explore a wide range of practical support tools, resources and apps that you can use at home to support your child.	£10 per person

To book your place please click [here](#)

Please contact Laura Bates for further information or to book a place at:
dosadmin@taverhamhigh.org or telephone 01603 860505 ex 239

DIARY DATES

Monday 22nd January - Maths family learning sessions for Year 4 and 5 - 8.50 - 9.20 am
Monday 22nd January - Year 5/6 NCFC event
Tuesday 23rd January - Maths family learning sessions for Years 1 and 2 - 8.50 - 9.20 am
Wednesday 24th January - School Forum 08.50 am
Wednesday 24th January - Maths family learning sessions for EYFS - 8.50 - 9.20 am
Thursday 25th January - Maths family learning sessions for Year 6 - 8.50 - 9.20 am
Friday 26th January - Maths family learning sessions for Year 3 - 8.50 - 9.20 am
Friday 26th January - Under 11's NCFC girls football event
Monday 29th January - Voice Squad to Young Voices O2
Monday 29th January - Adaptive Games
Thursday 1st February - Year 5 coding event at Thorpe St. Andrews High School tbc
Monday 5th to Friday 9th February - Mental Health week
Wednesday 6th March - Science Bus to Year 5 tbc
Monday 5th February - Year 1/2 boys Football Festival
Thursday 8th February - Parents and Carers Coffee morning and anxiety workshop with School Mental Health Team
Monday 12th and Wednesday 14th February - Parent Teacher Consultation Evening
Monday 12th February - Year 3/4 girls football event NCFC
Thursday 15th February - 3.30 pm PTFA meeting in the library
Friday 16th February - 8.50 - 9.20 am Parents reading in class with children
Monday 19th to Friday 23rd February - Half term
Monday 26th February - 9 am Parent and Carer Coffee Morning with SENCo
Thursday 7th March - World Book Day
Friday 15th March - Year 4 Bikeability Group 1 and 2
Friday 15th March - Comic Relief tbc
Wednesday 20th March - Year 5 Wicked trip
Friday 22nd March - Year 4 Bikeability Group 3 and 4
Friday 22nd March - 8.50 - 9.20 am Parents reading in class with children
Friday 22nd March - School 'Festival of Light' discos - PTFA event
Wednesday 20th - 27th March - Easter Egg lottery squares on sale
Wednesday 27th March - Easter Egg lottery draw
Monday 25th March - Year 5 Level 1 Bikeability Groups 1 and 2
Tuesday 26th March - Year 5 Level 1 Bikeability Groups 3 and 4
Thursday 28th March - Trust INSET day School Closed
Friday 29th March - Friday 12th April - Easter Holidays
Monday 29th April Yr 5 Victorian Day at Gressenhall
Monday 6th May - Bank holiday Monday
Tuesday 7th - Thursday 9th May - Year 4 Eaton Vale residential
Monday 13th - Thursday 16th May - Key Stage 2 SATs week
Friday 24th May - 8.50 - 9.20 am Parents reading in class with children
Monday 27th - Friday 31st May - Half term
Week beginning Monday 3rd June - Year 4 Multiplication Tables Check