

# Newsletter

Monday 2<sup>nd</sup> October

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## Dates for your diary

Monday 2<sup>nd</sup> October – Doncaster museum in school to work with Y6  
Tuesday 3<sup>rd</sup> October – cross country at Hungerhill  
Wednesday 4<sup>th</sup> October – Y3/4/5 visit to Eyam  
Thursday 5<sup>th</sup> October – KS2 cross country at Keep Moat Stadium  
Thursday 12<sup>th</sup> October – 2.30 Parents invited to sample school meals/discuss new menus  
Tuesday 17<sup>th</sup> October – Y5/6 girls football – Hungerhill  
Wednesday 18<sup>th</sup>-Friday 20<sup>th</sup> October – Y6 residential to Hollowford (Miss Temperton/Mrs Williams/Mr Copley)  
Wednesday 18<sup>th</sup> October – Y5 group at The Dome – Doncaster Book Awards launch event  
Thursday 19<sup>th</sup> October – Diwali dance workshops (FS2-Y5)  
Thursday 19<sup>th</sup> October – KS2 Dodgeball finals  
Tuesday 24<sup>th</sup> October – 9.15 KS1 Harvest Festival; 10.15 KS2 Harvest Festival  
Tuesday 24<sup>th</sup> October – Y5/6 boys football- Hungerhill  
Wednesday 25<sup>th</sup>/Thursday 26<sup>th</sup> October – Y5/6 Boys football at Balby Carr  
Thursday 26<sup>th</sup> October – Halloween disco- FS2/Y1 3.00-4.00; KS2 4.15-5.30  
Friday 27<sup>th</sup> October – School finishes for half term

## Macmillan Coffee Morning

A huge thank you to PTA for organising this year's Macmillan coffee morning last Friday and to everyone who donated cakes for this very good cause. Many thanks also to Tesco at Edenthorpe who donated tea, coffee and biscuits to help us get off the ground as a new PTA. It was lovely to see so many of you during the course of the morning. We'll let you know as soon as possible how much was raised.

## Holiday Camps

We are working closely with Active Fusion during the course of this year to develop sport within school. Already we have taken part in dodgeball and cross country competitions. They are looking to use our school as a base for holiday camps from February half term onwards. They are also looking to start a family session on Thursdays from 5.00 till 6.00 after half term. They have asked for feedback about whether a family fitness session would be popular and what you feel would be a reasonable price to pay per session. Any views can be passed on to me during the week.

## Class News

### Star Makers (Y4/5)

Maths: This week we will be working on perimeter of different 2D shapes, measuring as well as solving using formulas. This will then translate into worded problems and real life examples and we might even find the perimeter of some rooms in our school!

English: This week we are going to be finishing our descriptive writing and finishing on an independent "BIG WRITE". We will then be beginning a new focus in non-fiction report writing ready to report on our trip to Eyam on Wednesday, which we are very excited about!

Topic : Last week we put the terrible disease of the plague to the side and focused on some excellent achievements that still happened during the era. We have researched about a man named William Caxton and printing. We had a go ourselves by making printed letters from potatoes! (see photos) This week we are going to be continuing looking at printing and scribing followed shortly by the trip to Eyam.



### Superstars (Y2)

This week in English, we will be learning how to write a recount of our trip to Conisbrough Castle. The children need to make sure that they are writing sentences that make sense, have capital letters and full stops. We will be making sure that we are using time conjunctions next, then, first, after that and finally in their writing. The spelling pattern this week is adding y to words that need the final consonant doubling eg. Mud muddy fog foggy.

In maths we will be weighing with scales and measuring objects with a ruler. We will learn how to compare different lengths and weights using the symbols <, > and =.

< less than   > greater than and = the same as. When at home you could practice weighing different objects in the kitchen, using the language heavy, heavier, heaviest, light, lighter and lightest.

The children will continue with the topic of Towers, Tunnels and Turrets by looking at famous towers of the world. We will be using maps and atlas' to find the continents of the world and the famous cities where the towers are.

Harvest festival will soon be here, so your child may come home with some lines to learn for our Harvest Festival play. It would be great if you could help your child to learn them and say them in a loud clear voice.

Don't forget it is important that your child reads regularly to improve their fluency and understanding. When you have listened to them read, if you could comment in the Reading Diary with a positive comment, that would be brilliant.

Thanks for your continuing support.

Ms Windmill

## **Class News**

### **KS1 At Conisbrough Castle**

Year 1 and 2 have had a very exciting week. On Wednesday we went to Conisbrough Castle. Luckily the weather was good and we had a fabulous day. We went right to the top of the keep and saw a viaduct, Doncaster Minster and the houses and buildings all around. We pretended we were knights trying take over the castle. We learnt a lot about Conisbrough Castle and would love to go again.

### **Shooting Stars (Y3)**

This week in maths, Y3 will be learning about interpreting and drawing graphs. We will be looking at bar charts and will be collecting our own data to create graphs. We will also be answering questions about ready-made graphs to test our understanding.

In English, we will be practising our SPaG in order to improve our writing skills, ready to write recounts about our upcoming trip to Eyam! We are focussing on using adverbial phrases as openers, using conjunctions and using thesauri to improve our vocabulary.

### **Starburst (Y1)**

Our learning this next week will focus on the following areas:

Maths- addition with numbers up to 20. Using concrete objects/number lines.

English- recount of our trip to Conisborough castle.

Phonics- looking at set 2 sounds. Applying these into reading and writing.

Topic- history of castles, History of Conisborough castle.

Art- drawing/painting castles. Looking into patterns as well as shades of colour.:

### **Twitter**

Please follow us on our new Twitter page @EdenthorpeHall. We are aiming to post up to date news and items about what is going on in school as regularly as possible.

## **Sports News**

This week we have children out at cross country competitions at Hungerhill and Keepmoat Stadium. This s a fantastic opportunity for children from Y1 right up to Y6.

Our rugby team have been invited to attend Castle Park for the rugby match against Leinster on Saturday 14<sup>th</sup> October. As part of this fantastic opportunity, they will form the tunnel for the players, play a tag ruby match against Canon Popham's rugby team and complete a lap of honour! They will meet with the professional players and can have photographs taken and collect autographs.

We're in the process of fixing up opportunities this academic year for children from the school to attend the indoor athletics championships in Birmingham and a women's football match at Manchester City. Look out for further details.

### **PE Kit**

Please can you ensure that your child has the correct footwear to change into for PE lessons. This should be pumps for indoor wear and trainers for outdoor wear. Thank you.

## **Collecting And Dropping Off**

I am in the process of updating the website. Please look out on there for our safeguarding policies – one of which will be our policy on collecting and dropping off children. We really value the partnership between home and school so always encourage you to contact us if you have anything to discuss. Please could you help us by trying where possible to speak to teachers after school rather than before the start of the school day.

## Class News

### Super Nova (Y6)



Year 6's production of Twelfth Night was a great success! A fantastic that the children (and audience) thoroughly enjoyed – well done Supernova!

Next week we will begin our WW1 topic with a visit from Doncaster Museum services. The children will be trying on uniforms and finding out what life was really like in the trenches. In English we will be beginning to write newspaper reports about the assassination of Duke Franz Ferdinand. In maths we will be continuing with our work on place value as we explore different sequences, develop our arithmetic skills, learn how to apply the order of operations (BODMAS) and investigate common multiples and factors.

### Starlights (Y4/5)

In Starlights this week, the children have been building up their writing skills, creating their own story based in Eyam. After building up an exciting setting, the children have now introduced their characters in an interesting and curious way, revealing information bit by bit... For our maths topic, we have been going crazy with telling the time in three different ways and applying this to problem solving. Our printing skills have been taken a step further this week and our children are in the process of creating printing blocks for whole words with card and string which they will make in to a sentence in their group. Finally, all the children have brought home their My Maths log in and a user name and password for Times Table Rock Stars – please have a go online with your child if you have access to a computer.

## School Meals

We are looking to introduce new menus with greater choice after half term. This will include daily sandwich and jacket potato options. In order to ensure as many people as possible are staying for school dinners we are keen for you to come and sample the meals and share your views about the proposed new menus. Please come along on **Thursday 12<sup>th</sup> October at 2.30**. In the hall cook will have specially prepared a sample of dishes for you to try and the new menus will be on display.

## Let's Celebrate

Each week in our Celebration assembly we give recognition to a child from each class across school who has really demonstrated one of our pupil dispositions. Well done to the following children who received certificates:

Starburst: Kate Collis (aspiration and development)  
Superstars: Elizabeth Adamsons (responsibility and leadership)  
Shooting Stars: Olivia Raikes (aspiration and development)  
Star Makers: Maja Szpak (aspiration and development)  
Starlight: Muhammad Hamid (enjoyment and innovation)  
Supernova: Alfred Hoo (aspiration and development)  
KS1 playground: Jorja Ward (honesty and integrity)  
KS2 playground: Micheala Peat (honesty and integrity)  
Active Fusion class of the week: Star Makers

Well done to Grace Peers who is this week's Soaring Swift following a nomination. She is in our special book in the entrance and will sit on our assembly throne all week.

Good attendance is so important for every child in school. This is something we'll really be pushing across school and across Astrea over the coming academic year. We're striving for at least 97% attendance and so each week in assembly we'll be rewarding the class or classes with the best attendance for the preceding week.

Well done to Y6 (Supernova) who achieved 99.6% attendance in week 3. Shooting Stars (Y3) also were above target on 97.4% and Starburst (Y1) were close at 96.9%. Across school we were hit by term time holidays bringing us down to 94.9%.