Dunnington News



11th October 2019

Dear Parents/Carers,

As a school we have been incredibly fortunate to have a very strong PTA for a number of years organising a wealth of fundraising events for the school and ultimately providing money to supplement our somewhat stretched school budget.

We have enjoyed many events such as Christmas and summer fairs, discos, performance refreshments, wreath making events, pamper evenings, Easter egg hunts and movie nights as a result of the efforts of our PTA committee and the support of our parent body. The funds have primarily been used to support development projects, buy school resources and classroom supplies which we couldn't otherwise afford and also to supplement the costs of school swimming and visiting theatre companies.

In 2018/19 the PTA purchased the following items on behalf of the school:-

Swimming	£300
£100 per class (additional resources)	£1,000
Additional Wi-Fi Points	£3,855
Class Reading Sets	£655
Football Goals	£519
Hall Sound System	£3,205
Rapid Recall Boards	£608
Hero Reading Series	£1,840
New Headphones	£337

The PTA AGM was held on Wednesday 2nd October 2019 but unfortunately, the position of Chair of the PTA remains vacant. Unless we are able to fill this position, the PTA, in its current format, will fold and many of the events listed above will not be able to take place. Clearly the school and the remaining PTA members don't wish for this to happen. We still have many people who are willing to support and help out but just can't take charge of it at the moment.

They have agreed to hold a further AGM on Wednesday 6th November at 8pm in the Sports Club to allow (fingers crossed!) for someone to reconsider and come forward. A volunteer really would be appreciated.

If anyone would like more information on the role before making a decision, please contact the school office. We will put you in touch with someone who can explain the details.

Kind regards, Caroline Hancy



BOOK FAIR

The Scholastic School Book Fair will be in school from Tuesday 15th October through to Monday 21st October.

Please come along to the spare classroom next to Y6 from 3.30 to 4.15pm where there will be a range of books and stationery available to buy.

Author, Catherine Jacob will be visiting school to share her wonderful book – *There's a Troll on my Toilet*. She will be visiting all classes to share the story and to talk about herself as an author.

Cross Country Event

We had a very talented group of runners who took part in the York Schools Cross Country event on Friday night. It was held at Askham Bryan College and students were provided from the college to organise the huge event and marshall the children in their different age races. We had superb success and all the pupils who took part from Dunnington did an amazing job, with some qualifying for the North Yorkshire round to be held at Dalby Forest in November.

A special well done to Elle Robinson who came 2nd in the Y1 girls race, Ben Rees-Gay who came 2nd in the Y3 boys race, Rosa Whitford who came 6th in the Y3 girls race, James Patterson who came 5th in the Y4 boys race and Kate Setchell who came 3rd in the Y6 girls race. All these children will represent our school and York in the next phase of the competition.

Thank you to the parents who attended this event as I appreciate a Friday night is the end of a busy week for most!

Mrs Rowntree

Here are our cross country runners!







Portrait Art Gallery

Dear Parents,

Over the past few weeks, pupils across the school have been creating a portrait of themselves using inspiration from a particular artist.

During our Parent Evenings, which are taking place on Wednesday 23rd and Thursday 24th October, the hall will be transformed into an Art Gallery. Here you will be able to view all the pieces of artwork from pupils in Reception to pupils in Year 6. (There will however be a Zumba class in the hall on Wednesday from 3.20-4.20pm).

I hope you will enjoy wandering around and seeing all the fantastic artwork that has been produced.

Kind regards, Mrs Priest





The Y3/4 team took part in a Quick sticks hockey festival at Vale of York School on Tuesday. They played 4 other teams - winning two, losing one and drawing the final match. This put us in a position where we were playing out for 2nd place overall.

The team demonstrated great skill, teamwork and enthusiasm which resulted in them coming joint 2nd with Ralph Butterfield School. Thank you to all the parents who supported and transported their children. A great event!!

Mrs Rowntree

Year 1 Reading Club and KS2 Science Club

Letters are attached giving further details and applications forms for these two clubs.

Other information coming out today

Details and application forms for sports clubs taking place next term.

Details and a booking form for the Halloween activities going on at Over The Rainbow during half term.





Drop in Session

Oaken Grove Community Centre, Reid Park, Oaken Grove, Haxby, York YO32 3QW

Saturday 2nd November 2 - 4pm

RESOURCES



ABOUT It's an opportunity for children who have lost someone significant to them, to come together to play and / or do craft activities knowing that everyone there has experienced something similar. The focus is on play 'remembering' activities available to make and take away. Toys, crafts, table tennis and games console... Suitable for all ages.



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