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Dear parent/ carer,

Message from Mrs Thompson

It has been another wet and windy week here at school, but that hasn't stopped lots of wonderfully creative activities from going on in every classroom. I have been blown away by some of the fantastic work the children have produced, which has been displayed across the school.

Please do remember to send your children into school with warm, waterproof coats and hats and gloves – we do try to get outside whenever we are able. If your child is in KS1, please send in a pair of wellies – we are hoping to do lots of outdoor learning this half term. We do have lots of lost property building up, so please remember to label all clothes and shoes.

It is really important your child comes to school with a named water bottle each day. We have a limited number of spare bottles at school, but not enough to provide for all of the children who are currently forgetting their water bottles.

Enrichment opportunities – payment reminder

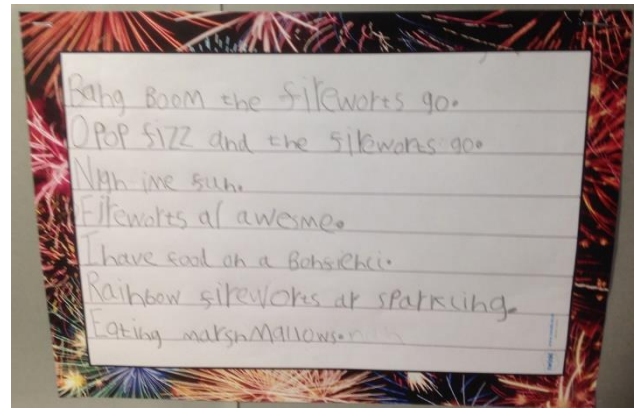
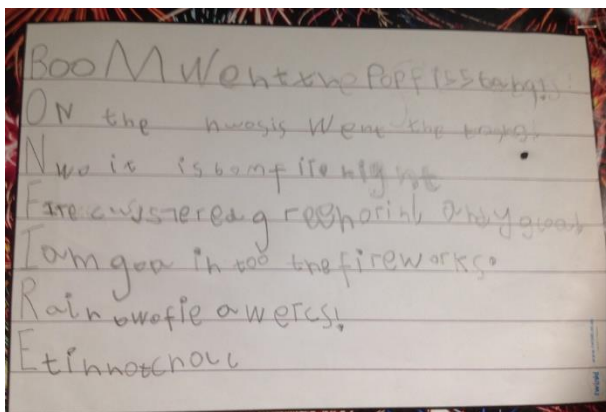
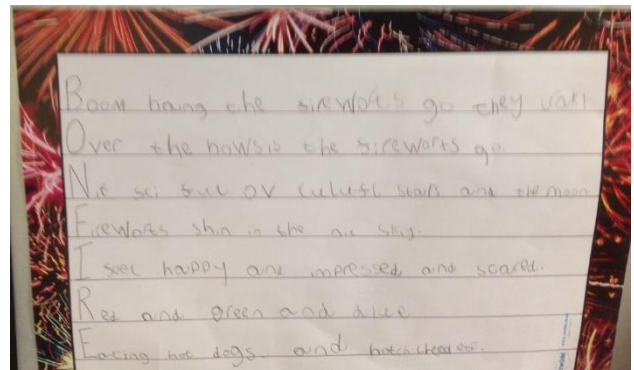
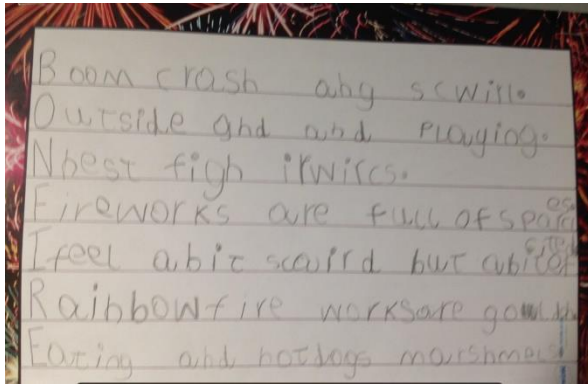
I have put a reminder on the last few newsletters about payment for the Riding Lights theatre production of Give it Back Mac, which the whole school will be watching on the 18th December, and the Space Virtual Reality Workshop for years 1, 2 and 5. Whilst we can only ask for voluntary contributions, we are currently more than £500 below covering the costs of these two events. We would hate to cancel such activities, because we know how much the children enjoy and engage with them, but we will have no choice unless we receive more contributions. The payment details and consent forms for both of these are on ParentPay.

A few things we have been getting up to in school this week ...

Reception made beautiful poppies in Forest School last week. They have also been celebrating World Nursery Rhyme Week this week, looking at a different nursery rhyme each day ... They have practised mending heads with brown paper like in Jack and Jill and making clocks and drawing mice to celebrate Hickory Dickory Dock.



Year 1 have written some wonderful acrostic poems about bonfire night. I am so impressed with the amount they have written and with their beautiful presentation. Well done to everyone in year 1.

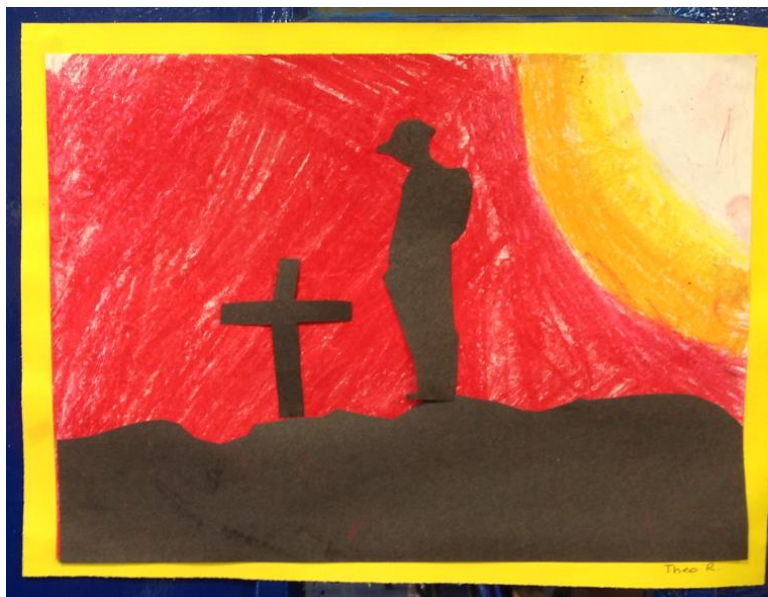


Year 2 have been experimenting with colour mixing to produce these beautiful pieces of art.





Year 5 produced some stunning art work in RE, which will be displayed in the church.



Children in Need



Dunnington CE Primary School

DPS Fundraiser for BBC Children in Need

We are taking part in the BBC's Children in Need event on Friday 17th November because we know how keen the pupils are to help children and young people in need.

On the day, children are welcome to wear Children in Need merchandise/ spotty clothes/ pyjamas/ non-uniform – please do not purchase anything especially.

Please do not send any donations into school. We have set up a Just Giving Page so that donations can be made direct to the charity. Thank you to those of you who have already donated to such a wonderful cause.

https://www.justgiving.com/page/dpschildreninneedfundraiser?utm_medium=fundraising&utm_content=page%2Fdpschildreninneedfundraiser&utm_source=copyLink&utm_campaign=fpf-share

The York Minster Christmas Tree Festival

This year, the York Music Hub has been given a tree to decorate as part of the York Minster Christmas Tree Festival. Schools have been given the opportunity to showcase a piece of music which will be turned into a QR code placed on a Christmas bauble with the school name.

We chose to record the whole school singing It was on a Starry Night. Thanks to Miss Dunn's excellent teaching, the singing was phenomenal.

We will let you know where the tree is once it is in place so that you can visit and have a listen.

Well done to the year 3 girls who were flag bearers in the York City Ladies game on Sunday. They all play for Huntington Rovers U8 girls' team.



Early Years Open Evening Reminder

For children starting school in September 2024, we invite families to come and visit our welcoming school.

OPEN EVENT



Growing and learning together and aiming to be the best that we can be, in an environment based on Christian values

This will be a drop in event where you will have the chance to see our EYFS area and to meet staff and ask questions.

DAY	TIME	
NOV 22	4-5PM	Dunnington CE Primary School

Next week, we are holding an open event for families of children starting school in September 2024.

It is a drop-in event where families can see our amazing EYFS area, meet staff, sample some of our delicious school puddings and ask any questions they may have. There will also have an opportunity to have a tour of the school.

We would really appreciate it if you spread the word about this event.

Dates for your Diary

Autumn Term 2023

Any additional dates will be added in bold each week.

Year 6 parents – please look out for separate email with information about this term’s parent consultations.

November 2023

Children in Need Wear Children in Need merchandise/ spotty clothes/ pyjamas/ non-uniform – please do not purchase something especially.	Friday 17 th November 2023
Reception open evening for new starters September 2024	Wednesday 22 nd November 2023

December 2023

Tree Decorating Assembly	Friday 1 st December 2023
EYFS and KS1 Nativity	Tuesday 12 th December 2023 - 2pm Wednesday 13 th December - 2pm
Riding Lights Theatre Company Presents – Give it Back Mac! – Whole school	Monday 18 th December 2023
Yoyo Assembly and Workshops – Year 1 and Year 4	Tuesday 19 th December 2023
Christmas Parties	Wednesday 20 th December 2023
PTA Christmas Disco	Wednesday 20 th December 2023
Christmas Services in St Nicholas’ Church Parents welcome	Thursday 21 st December 2023 10 am- EYFS and KS1 11am- KS2
School Closes for Christmas	Thursday 21 st December 2023
Staff Training Day	Friday 22 nd December 2023
Back to School	Monday 8 th January 2024

Enjoy the rest of your week. As always, don’t hesitate to contact us if you have any questions or concerns.

With very best wishes,
Clare Thompson

Attachments

- Five Minute Read – What Parents and Carers need to know about Microtransactions