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Dear parent/ carer,

Message from Mrs Thompson

It has been an exciting week here at school, with preparations for the year 3 and 4 show and World Book Day in full swing. I am really looking forward to seeing the production this evening – I know the dress rehearsal went down a storm with the rest of the school and countless children and members of staff have told me what a treat we have in store!

Lots of fun activities are planned for World Book Day including quizzes and class swaps to share favourite books and to share reading amongst the children. We will be holding an assembly in the afternoon where we will tell the children how to use their book token and we will be awarding vouchers for the winning hats. Thank you to anyone who has helped with hat making but please do not worry if you have not had the opportunity to – we want tomorrow to be about celebrating all things reading more than anything else.

ADHD Friendly School Award

In January, City of York launched the York Neurodiversity Project. The aim of this project is to develop understanding of neurodiversity. The focus of the work is to upskill staff at all stages of education to ensure that learners can achieve their potential. As part of this project, 8 schools are going to be supported to complete the ADHD Friendly School Award. We have been lucky enough to be selected as one of these schools and, as a result, will receive lots of training and support to enhance and improve our provision.

In addition to the training we will receive, a number of parent/ carer webinars have been planned. Please see the attached flyer for more information.

Punctuality

Please can I remind families that school starts at 8:45 for children in KS2. Whilst the vast majority of children arrive to school on time, we have a number, especially some children who walk in independently, who are not in the line by 8:45 and subsequently miss the start of the school day. The teachers have activities out from when the children enter the classrooms and therefore if a child is regularly late they will miss lots of learning opportunities.

Reminder - Spring Term Parent Consultations

Bookings for this term's parent consultations are currently open and will close on Sunday 10th March at 12 noon. Please do log onto School Cloud to book your slot if you have not done so already.

Please visit <https://dunningtonprimary.schoolcloud.co.uk/> to book your appointments. (A short guide on how to book appointments is included with this letter).

The following link explains how to attend the video call appointment:

<https://support.parentseveningsystem.co.uk/article/801-video-parents-how-to-attend-appointments-over-video-call>

Instruction on how to add a second parent/ carer to join the appointment can be found on the following link:

<https://support.parentseveningsystem.co.uk/article/862-video-appointments-parents-how-to-invite-another-parent-guardian-to-join-your-appointments>

If you do not have access to the Internet, please contact the school office, who will be happy to add appointments on your behalf or set up a telephone appointment or a face to face meeting with your child's class teacher at a different time.

Mother's Day

We will not be making cards in school this year but we hope that anyone celebrating Mother's Day on Sunday has a really fabulous day. We would like to thank all of the people who work so hard to give the children here at Dunnington so much love and care, whether these be mothers, fathers, carers or anyone else significant. You are all wonderful!

Other bits ...

Good Luck to the year 3 girls football team who are heading to Huntington on Friday for a competition. We know you will do us proud whatever the result!

Thank you to Rebecca in year 5 who has donated lots of books and activity books to school. I know they will make a fantastic addition to our library and our rainy day provisions!



Miss Dunn and Ollie are getting married on Saturday 23rd March at 2pm in St Olave's Church, York City Centre. Dunnington families and children are welcome to come and wave Miss Dunn into church on her wedding day! It is located just at the end of the Museum Gardens.

Dates for your Diary

Spring Term 2024

March 2024

Catch up swimming	Every Tuesday afternoon (until 12 th March)
Bikeability for year 5	Thursday 7 th March Thursday 14 th March
Year 3 and 4 production	Wednesday 6 th March 2024 – 6pm Thursday 7 th March 2024 – 6pm
World Book Day	Thursday 7 th March 2024
Special Lunch for World Book Day	Thursday 7 th March 2024
Music celebration assembly	Friday 8 th March 2024
Lego League Competition	Friday 8 th March 2024
Year 5 Farm trip	Monday 11 th March 2024
Yoyo assembly and workshops for year 2 and year 5	Tuesday 12 th March 2024
Parent consultations	Tuesday 12 th March (until 6pm) Wednesday 13 th March (until 7pm) Thursday 14 th March (until 6pm) Teachers will select 2-3 nights to complete their consultations which will be confirmed nearer the time.
Butter and Ice Cream making workshops for the whole school	Thursday 14 th March 2024
Easter Services at St Nicolas Church	Wednesday 20 th March 2024 – 10am EYFS & KS1/ 11am KS2
Easter Lunch	Wednesday 20 th March
PTA Disco	Thursday 21 st March
School closes for Easter	Friday 22 nd March 2024
Back to school	Monday 8 th April 2024

As always, please don't hesitate to get in touch if you have any questions or concerns.

With very best wishes,

Clare Thompson

Attachments:

School Cloud guid to booking appointments

Easter Disco Poster

Your Neurodiversity Programme for Parents/ Carers