



DUNNINGTON C.E. PRIMARY SCHOOL

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Friday 11th October 2024

Dear parent/ carer,

Autumn Term Parent/Carer Consultations

We have scheduled parent consultations for the week beginning the 21st October 2024. These consultations will provide you with the opportunity to discuss how your child has settled into their new class, how they are progressing and how you are able to support them at home.

Appointments will be held virtually using the School Cloud platform. We have found this to be the most time efficient way to conduct our consultations. We appreciate that some of you miss having the opportunity to come into the classroom. However, like last year, we will run an open afternoon in the Spring Term, during which you will have the opportunity to visit your child's classroom after school (between 3:30 and 5:00) to see your child's work.

School Cloud provides an easy-to-use online appointment booking system which allows you to choose your own appointment time with teachers. The booking system will go live on Monday 14th October at 6pm and will close on Monday 21st October at 12 noon. You will notice that most teachers are only available on 2 out of the 3 evenings.

Reception	Tuesday 22 nd October (3:30pm-7:00pm) Wednesday 23 rd October (3:30pm-6:00pm)
Year 1	Wednesday 23 rd October (3:30pm-6:00pm) Thursday 24 th October (3:30pm-6:00pm)
Year 2	Tuesday 22 nd October (3:30pm-7:00pm) Wednesday 23 rd October (3:30pm-6:00pm)
Year 3	Tuesday 22 nd October (3:30pm-7:00pm) Wednesday 23 rd October (3:30pm-6:00pm)
Year 4	Tuesday 22 nd October (3:30pm-7:00pm) Thursday 24 th October (3:30pm-6:00pm)
Year 5	Tuesday 22 nd October (3:30pm-7:00pm) Thursday 24 th October (3:30pm-6:00pm)
Year 6	Tuesday 22 nd October (3:30pm-7:00pm) Wednesday 23 rd October (3:30pm-5:00pm) Thursday 24 th October (4:40pm-6:00pm)

Once a parent books a slot, the slot becomes unavailable to other parents. Once booked, appointments will be confirmed by email.

The parents' consultation will be hosted via video call. No app is required to be installed, you can just use a smart phone or laptop. All calls are encrypted. The video call finishes at the end of the appointment time (9 minute allocation).

In order to make video calls you need to have as a minimum:

- A device with a microphone and speaker/ headphones
- A compatible and up to date browser

We also recommend:

- Using your smartphone for video appointments. If you don't have a smartphone with a front-facing camera, use a laptop or computer with a webcam.
- Using a headset (or earphones with a microphone) to reduce echo.

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

You will be taken to the following log in page. Complete the form to log in to the system and to secure your appointments.

Dunnington CE Primary School

SchoolCloud
Welcome to the Dunnington CE Primary School booking system. Bookings can be amended via a link from the email confirmation - please ensure your email address is correct.

Your Details

Title First Name Surname
Email Confirm Email

Student's Details

First Name Surname Date of Birth
1 January 2010

Log In

Please do contact the school office if you are experiencing any difficulties so we can check we have the correct name and email address entered onto our system.

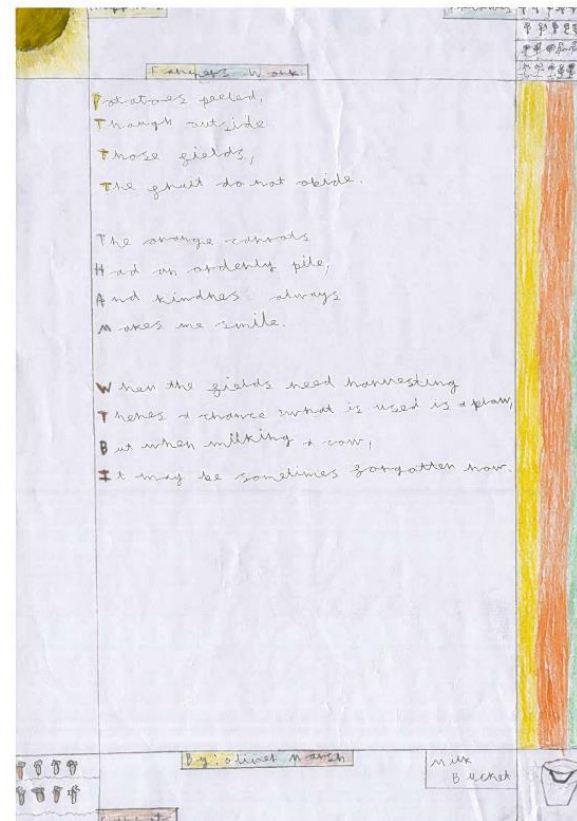
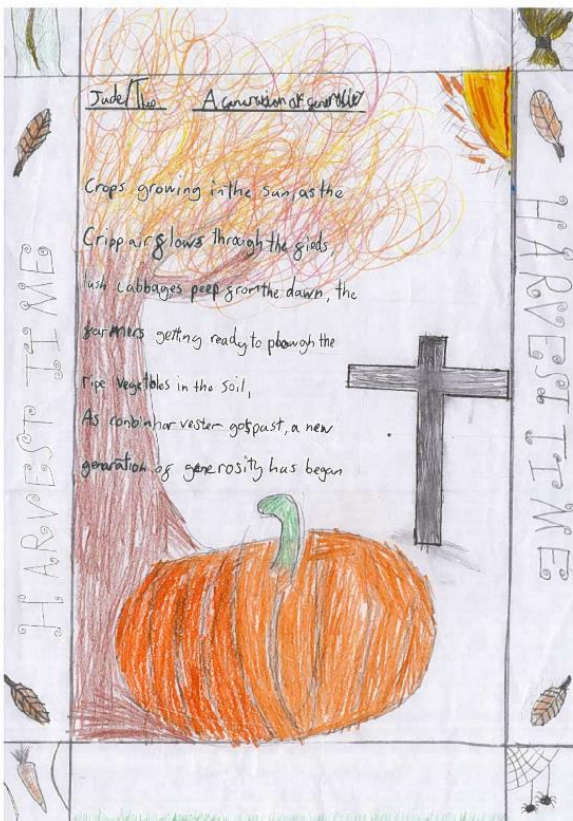
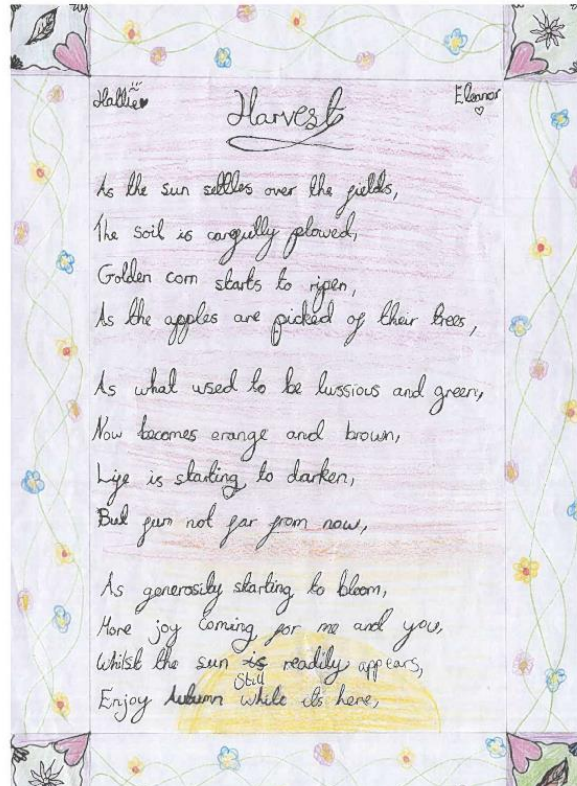
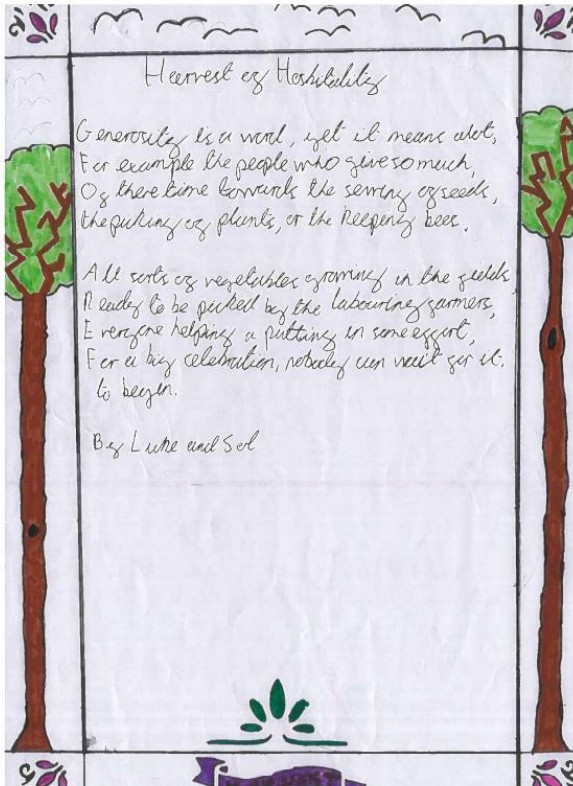
If you do not have access to the Internet, please contact the school office, who will be happy to set up a telephone appointment on your behalf.

Harvest

We have been celebrating harvest this week, with some wonderful singing and contributions from the children in our services. If you would like to donate a food item to York Food Bank, they can be brought in during next week for Mrs Bradley to drop off to a local collection point. For information on what items are particularly needed, go to York Food Bank website: <https://york.foodbank.org.uk/give-help/donate-food/>

Harvest Poems

Year 6 have worked hard on their wonderfully presented harvest poems and wanted to share them so that they could also be enjoyed by parents. Well done to everyone in year 6.



Harvest

Harvest Time



Crops rising from spacious fields
All year long.
Through Summer, winter and Autumn,
till harvest time has come

streams
beams of water, and beams
stream of sun
are sent from the sky
to help provide food as this Harvest
comes by

the Harvest teaches us to give
and so we can help each other live
be kind and caring to each other
and always share with your brother

Holly + Marnie

Karriet

Growing Golden


Farmers are sowing,
Crops that are growing,
Spreading in the soil,
Ready for us to boil.

Growing golden in the sun,
Bold and big ready for us,
Generous farmers sharing,
And always ready for curing.

As they ripen fresh and sweet,
Sugar beets ready to eat,
From green to gold,
Bean and corn ready to pick.

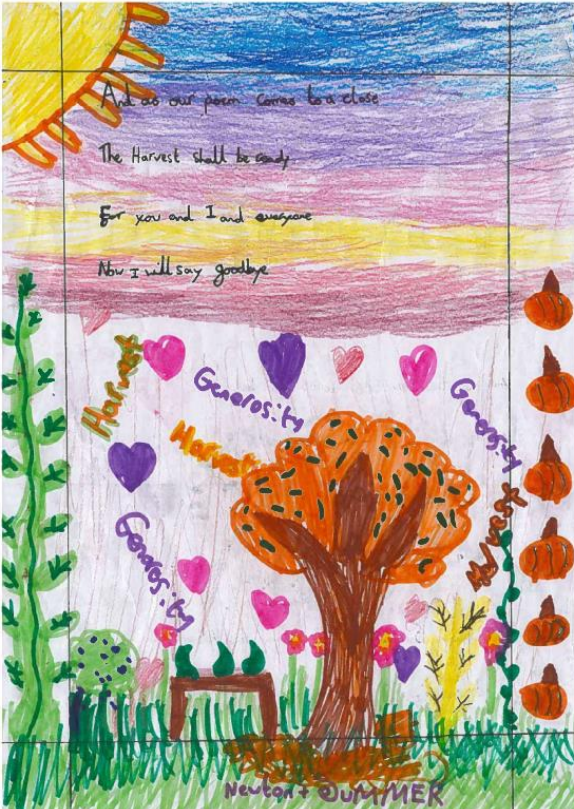
Harriet

As we gather ready to eat,
We think of the wheat and beat,
And thank our fields and friends.
As soil spreads ready to lend.



And as our poem comes to a close
The Harvest shall be ready
For you and I and everyone
Now I will say goodbye

Generosity
Harvest
Generosity
Generosity



Newton + DUMMER

Harvest Time

Saying thanks to God the Almighty, for all fruit and Vegetable growing naturally.

Potatoes, carrots and beetroot Under muddy dark soil ready To be awaken from their Dark homes.

Golden lushes wheat and oat Waving in the breezy wind.

Apples and plums lazily smaying in the trees.

Crops harvested by kind hard-working farmers. Tables heavy with food ready to share With people, every one.

Harvesttime — the kindest Time

Harvest.

One day, a farmer, prepared in a field And paper to grow all kinds of crops Golden wheat, pumpkins and all kinds of food So people can buy them in shops.

Red tomatoes and sluggy colidomer Grows all naturally Sugar leaf, ever so sweet Perfect for your tea.

Bringing all the crops That all came from seeds Carried by horses On old farmers leads.

Harvest poem

by Maren and Teddie and Kaitie

crops, drops and wheat and beet all growing in the rolling hills, golden yellow corn and wheat growing happily in the soil peas in their pods waiting to sprout potatoes getting more yellow in the sun, Bread Baked for everyone rape seeds oil and sunflower oil waiting to be harvested say thanks for the farmer for the farmer that he saves us farmers knees getting heavy, neck hurting, clay rain all hands

Harvest Samba

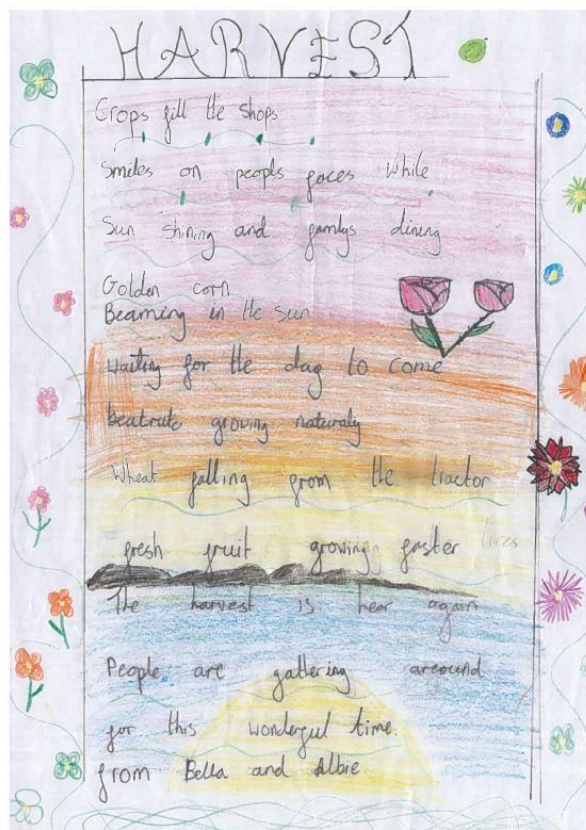
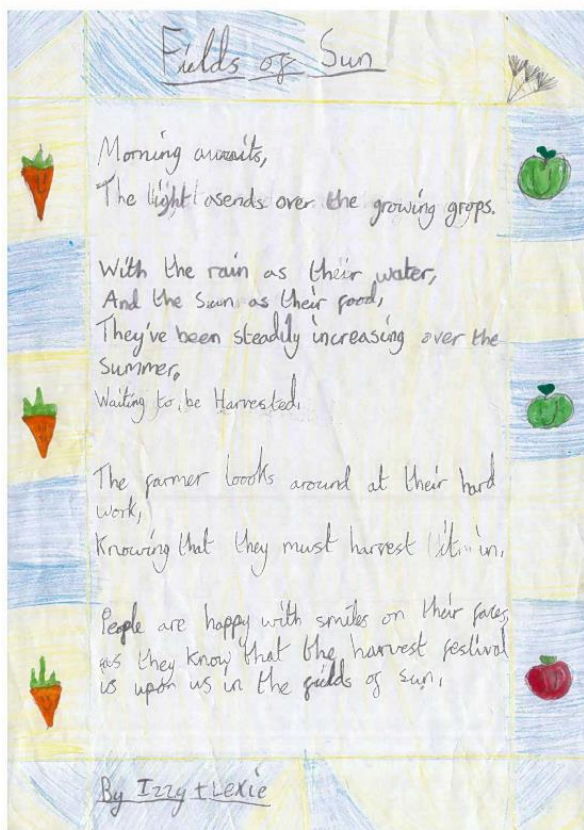
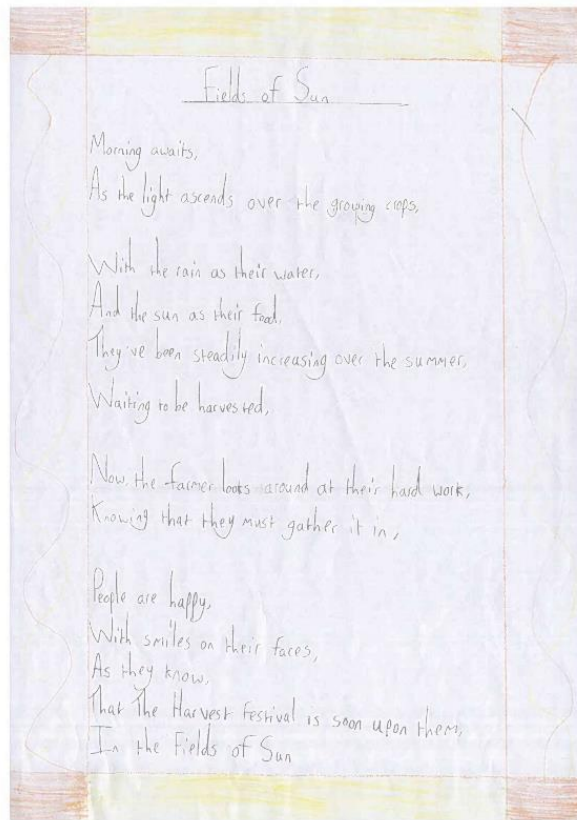
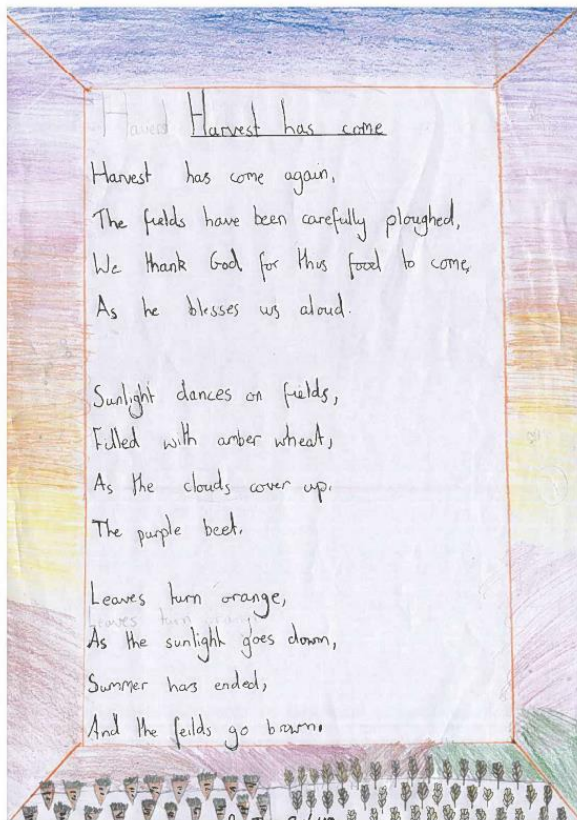
Crops growing in the warm, smiling sun, Waiting for this day to come.

Long, ripe, golden wheat, Naturally sweet sugar beet,

Cocoa ground to a nice, soft powder, Rumbling tractors growing louder



And so the Harvest Festivals near, Address is coming, there is nothing to fear.

Remember to share, it changes lives, Take my word, 'till Harvest dies.




Harvest

Tomatoes, corn and Sugar beet.
 Taste's very nice to eat.
 All kinds of plants were grown.
 Just like the seeds that were once sown.
 The harvest is a time for fun.
 The time to make the ~~tractors~~ ^{tractors} ~~run~~ ^{run}

Fields of Fun


Crops growing in the lucious fields
 Golden, yellow like the rising Sun
 Wheat ripened ready to harvest
 Bread baked to share with everyone.
 Potatoes undergrounds with flowers sprouting up
 Heavy winds blowing the golden brown wheat
 around
 The fields are full and shining through
 the moon light
 The Harvest teaches us to give and the
 generosity will begin
 So when the baskets everflows.
 We share the seeds we sow.

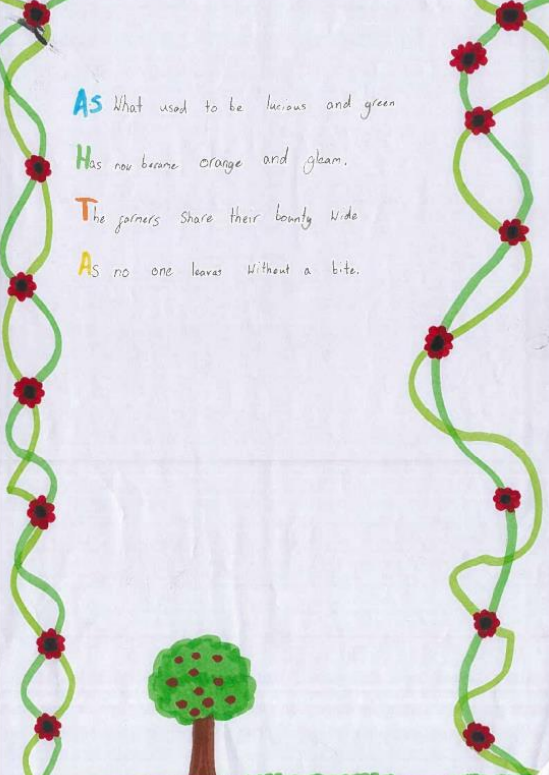

Crops growing in the fields
 Golden, yellow like the rising sun
 wheat ripened ready to be harvested
 Bread baked to share with everyone

Out waving in the wind
 Day to night, Summer to Autumn
 Those who share wait for guest
 Apples, pumpkins, wheat and corn

The farmers share their bounty wide
 No one is left without a bite
 Now the table of harvest has come
 And all the fruits and vegetables have grown

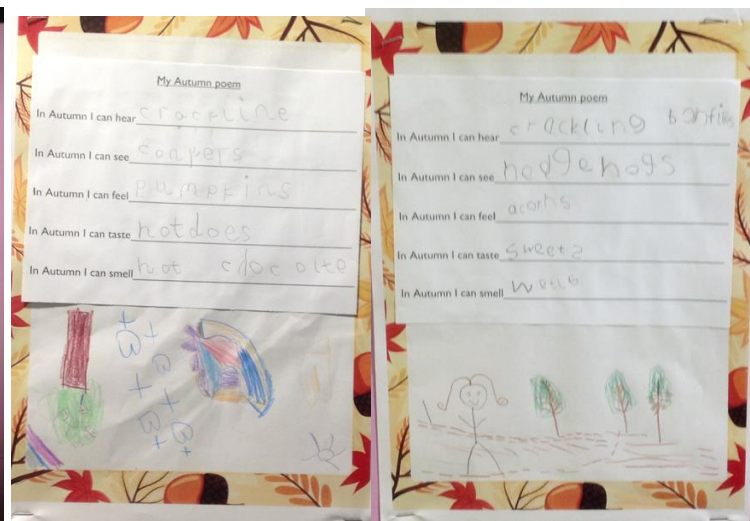
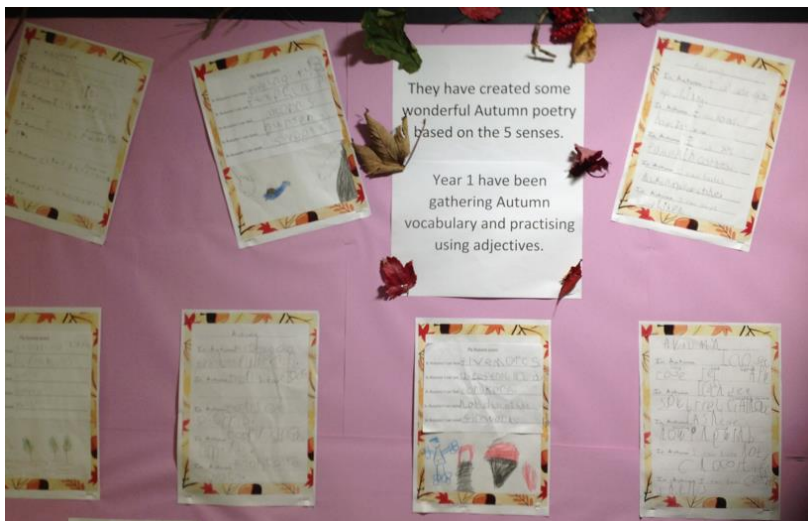


As what used to be lucious and green
 Has now become orange and gleam.
 The farmers share their bounty wide
 As no one leaves without a bite.



For harvest festival, year 4 learnt about children in Kolkata, India who made paper bags to sell to shopkeepers. Bags are sold in tens for one rupee. The children managed to make 35 in total which would have earned them 31p. The children wanted to do something useful with the bags so they decided to collect items for Carecent who help the homeless in York. Here they are with the items they collected. What a great effort Y4!



Year 1 have also produced some amazing Autumn poetry this week, based on their five senses. They used some wonderful adjectives.

RESPECT

A huge "Well done!" to our amazing **RESPECT** children this week: Oliver, Henry, Lance, Summer, Emily, Toby and Lucy!

Quite simply, you are all wonderful and you make us proud every day – thank you for always epitomising our school values!



New school library

I wanted to let you know about one of the many exciting changes that are happening around school this year. We are currently working on updating the library by moving it into a larger area in school. We are repurposing a spare classroom to create the new library area that can be used by a full class at a time. Improving the library will allow teachers to hold whole class reading sessions and give children a calm and quiet place where they can really enjoy reading a book for pleasure. To make all these changes possible, the PTA are supporting the project by providing valuable fundings for a range of soft furnishings, rugs, lights and other exciting items to make the library inviting for all ages. A range of new books will also be added over the year to help inspire readers at every level.

Updates and photos will be posted over the coming months. Starting with the removal of the old cupboards, during the October half term break, to make way for new fitted bookshelves.

We are all very excited about the library revamp and know that it will hugely benefit all the children in our school. Please do continue to support the PTA though the range of activities, functions and dates that will be taking place this year, as with all your kind donations, we can make great contributions to school life at Dunnington.

Thank you for your continued support - it is very much appreciated.

Mrs Priest

Year 5/6 Dance Club

We are so excited for our performance at the Everybody Dance Festival on November 12th. Tickets can be found here: <https://www.yorktheatreroyal.co.uk/show/everybody-dance-festival/>. For parents of children in dance club, there has been a letter sent out, which has important details and a form to fill on photograph permissions.

Mrs Bradley

Message from the PTA:

The PTA will be holding a Christmas Fair after school on Friday 6th December. Further details will follow but please keep this date clear in your diaries!



Always keeping busy in reception!

Dates for your Diary

New dates will be added in bold each week

October 2024	
Parent Consultations	Teachers will be available on 2 out of the 3 dates, to be confirmed nearer the time. Tuesday 22 nd October (until 7pm) Wednesday 23 rd October (until 6pm) Thursday 24 th October (until 6pm)
Last day of half-term	Friday 25 th October
November 2024	
School re-opens for pupils	Monday 4 th November
Year 6 Trip to the Merchant Adventurers' Hall and Castle Museum	Tuesday 5 th November
Open Evening for New Starters	Tuesday 12 th November
Individual Photos – Phototronics	Wednesday 13 th November
December 2024	
Tree decorating assembly	Monday 2 nd December
Flu immunisations	Tuesday 3 rd December
Christmas Fair	Friday 6th December
EYFS and KS1 Nativity	Tuesday 10 th December 2pm Wednesday 11 th December 2pm
Christmas Parties	Wednesday 18 th December

PTA Disco	Thursday 19 th December
Christmas Services at St Nicholas' Church Parents Welcome	Friday 20 th December 10am EYFS and KS1 11am KS2
School closes for Christmas	Friday 20 th December 2024

Please do not hesitate to get in touch if you have any questions or concerns.

With very best wishes,

Clare Thompson

Links/ Attachments:

- Parent Guide School Cloud
- Garden Tree Scheme Information
- York Families Update: <https://content.govdelivery.com/accounts/UKYC/bulletins/3bae574>
- Parent Carer Forum Newsletter

For children starting school in
September 2025, 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 12	4-5PM	Dunnington CE Primary School

Budget Friendly

Bringing Back the Buzz

Garden Trees Scheme



Opportunity for residents to obtain
wildlife-friendly blossom trees
for their gardens.

Crab Apple  Hawthorn  Wild cherry 
Whitebeam  Rowan 

Suggested donation of
£2 per tree to cover costs
(extra goes towards fruit tree(s) in village green
spaces).

Trees provided on
Saturday 23rd November for Dunnington,
Holtby & Warthill

Sunday 24th November for
Stockton-on-the-Forest

Further details in **The Grapevine** and on
Facebook including
events where GIG can take orders from
Dunnington residents who aren't on e-mail.

All e-mailed orders by Sun 10th November

Dunnington Green Initiatives Group

DunningtonGIG@gmail.com  <https://www.facebook.com/DunningtonGIG/>

Fodder for Flutter-Bys

Beautiful Blossom

Fruit for Feathered Friends

Not for Profit

Pollinator-Friendly Flowers

Community Action

Volunteers

Ultimate Sizes to Suit Small Spaces

Dunnington Sports Club

KIDS HALLOWEEN PARTY

FRIDAY 1ST NOVEMBER 6-8PM



Disco & Kids Entertainer

Fancy Dress

Prizes for the best costumes

Party Bags for all children

Tickets £5 in advance

from the Sports Club

FOOD AVAILABLE

ON THE NIGHT

JUST
£56 FOR 4 DAYS
£28 FOR 2 DAYS
£42 FOR 3 DAYS

FOR AGES
5 - 13

10AM TO 3PM

OCTOBER HOLIDAY COURSES

2024

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Holiday Course Will be LIMITED on Spaces. All Bookings MUST be made in advance and for ALL days of the course, bookings will close 4pm on the Thursday prior to the start date.

LNER COMMUNITY STADIUM
Tuesday 29th - 1st November

HUNTINGTON SECONDARY SCHOOL
Monday 28th - 30th October

MILTHORPE SCHOOL School Sports Hall (Indoor)
Thursday 31st - 1st November

JUST
£42 FOR 3 DAYS

FOR AGES
8 - 13

10AM TO 3PM

OCTOBER HALF TERM HOLIDAY COURSES



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JUST
£28 FOR 2 DAYS

FOR AGES
7 - 11

10AM TO 3PM

OCTOBER HALF TERM INDOOR SPORTS HALL HOLIDAY COURSES



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MILTHORPE SCHOOL SPORTS HALL
THURSDAY 31ST OCTOBER - 1ST NOVEMBER

To Book Simply Find All Our May Holiday Courses at

<https://officialsoccerschools.co.uk/yorkcity/york-city-courses/holiday.html>