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Friday 28<sup>th</sup> February 2025

Dear parent/ carer,

It has been so lovely to have the children back in school this week and we have really enjoyed hearing about their holidays. We hope they all had a wonderful break and that you were also able to enjoy some time with the children.

### **Spare Shoes**

It has been really wonderful to enjoy some sunshine this week – what a difference it makes!

We have, however, been inundated with mud in school and Mr Carrot has been finding it very difficult to clean. We really do not want to restrict the children's play. For this reason, we ask that the children bring in some spare shoes – wellies/ old trainers – or have some plimsolls to wear inside, so that they can play outside without bringing the mud back into their classrooms.

Unfortunately, if they do not have spare shoes, they will not be able to go on the grass. I spoke to the children about this in assembly this morning, and also reminded the children of the importance of wiping their feet when coming into the building. We discussed our school rules, to be ready, respectful and safe, and of the need to be respectful, not only of each other, but of the school building and the people who clean it.

It is also really useful for the children to have some spare clothes in school – these do not need to be school uniform – that they can change into if they get wet or muddy.

### **Disabled Parking**

We have had reports that people are parking in the disabled space outside school to drop off and collect children. We have members of the school community who need this space, and would appreciate your support in ensuring you do not park in it unless you are entitled to.

## World Book Day – Thursday 6<sup>th</sup> March

To celebrate WBD, we would like all children to come into school dressed as an adjective so that we can celebrate the rich language and vocabulary which we get from books. Please do not go out and buy anything specific for this. Maybe you could come dressed as 'sporty' in sports clothes, 'fluorescent' in neon, or 'beautiful' in your party clothes - the choice is yours.

Please make sure you have your adjective written down/pinned to your outfit too so we can all see what you are. I wonder how many amazing adjectives you can come up with!!

If your child would also like to bring in a teddy for story time, then they are welcome to do so. During the day we will be celebrating all things books and sharing stories across the school.

The children will also be able to enjoy a delicious World Book Day Menu on the day!



## Message from the PTA:

The ever-popular coloured hamper raffle is back for Easter! We will be drawing the raffle at the Year 3-4 performance on Thursday 27<sup>th</sup> March and tickets will be on sale shortly.

We would really appreciate it if your child could bring an item to school in the following colour:

Reception: blue

Year 1: green

Year 2: purple

Year 3: yellow/gold

Year 4: white/silver

Year 5: orange

Year 6: red

Friday 14<sup>th</sup> March will be a non- uniform day in return for bringing in an item for your class hamper. If your item isn't the correct colour please don't worry - we can wrap it for you.

## Prayer Spaces with Yoyo

Children in years 2-5 will be going to church on the mornings of the 11<sup>th</sup> and 12<sup>th</sup> March to work on prayer spaces with Yoyo. Each class will spend an hour at the church. If you are available to help those mornings, particularly with supporting the classes to walk to and from the church, we would be very grateful – please let the school office know. Thank you!

## RESPECT



**Well done to Melina, Dollie-Rose, Charlotte, Bella, Leo, Kate and Joseph for being such wonderful embodiments of our school values this week.**

### **Congratulations Riley!**

We were thrilled to be informed that Riley, in year 4, has some exciting opportunities ahead of her. She is travelling to London on the 19<sup>th</sup> March as a brand ambassador for the UK alongside two older world champions for the international dance brand, CosiG. She has also been cast in Yorkshire Theatre Ballet's "Beauty and the Beast" production and will be performing on the 3<sup>rd</sup> to the 5<sup>th</sup> July at the Carriageworks Theatre in Leeds.

Well done Riley!

We love hearing and celebrating all of the achievements of the incredibly talented pupils we have here at Dunnington.

### **Dates for your Diary**

**New dates will be added in bold each week**

<b>March 2025</b>	
World Book Day	Thursday 6 <sup>th</sup> March 2025  The children will be dressing up as adjectives. Please do not buy any costumes especially.
Swimming catch up for years 5 and 6	Tuesday afternoons

Prayer Space Visit for years 2, 3, 4 and 6	Tuesday 11 <sup>th</sup> March Wednesday 12 <sup>th</sup> March
Non uniform day for Easter Raffle – more information to follow	Friday 14 <sup>th</sup> March
Parent Consultations	Tuesday 18 <sup>th</sup> March (until 7pm) Wednesday 19 <sup>th</sup> March (until 6pm) Thursday 20 <sup>th</sup> March (until 6pm) <i>Teachers will be available on two out of the three nights.</i>
Down Syndrome Awareness Day	Friday 21 <sup>st</sup> March 2025
Year 3 and 4 Production	Wednesday 26 <sup>th</sup> March 2025 (6pm) Thursday 27 <sup>th</sup> March 2025 (6pm)
<b>Friday 28<sup>th</sup> March</b>	<b>Yoyo assembly and workshops for year 2 and 5</b>
<b>April 2025</b>	
Year 5 Virtual Reality Space and Robotics Day	Tuesday 1 <sup>st</sup> April 2025
Autism Awareness Day	Wednesday 2 <sup>nd</sup> April 2025
Easter Church Services	Thursday 3 <sup>rd</sup> June 10 am KS1 11am KS2
Easter Disco	Thursday 3 <sup>rd</sup> April 2025
School closes for Easter	Friday 4 <sup>th</sup> April 2025

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

I hope some of you are able to see some planets tonight with these lovely bright skies.

With very best wishes,

Clare Thompson

**Links/ Attachments:**

- **York Inspirational Kids Newsletter**
- **York Families Newsletter**  
<https://content.govdelivery.com/accounts/UKYC/bulletins/3d43ea8>
- **What Parents and Educators Need to Know About Marvel Rivals**

# Pancakes

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## Shrove Tuesday



## 4<sup>th</sup> March

## 3.00 to

## 5.00

## Tower Room

## Everyone very welcome.

### Events at Dunnington Sports Club

Saturday 1<sup>st</sup> March: Comedy Night hosted by the popular PIE Entertainment - tickets £15

Saturday 22<sup>nd</sup> March: HUGE party band 8 til late - £15

Bookings either via the club website or from the bar <https://www.dunningtonsports.club/events/>