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Friday 20th June 2025

Dear parent/ carer,

What a scorcher this week has been! Please remember to send your child in with a water bottle and a sunhat. Please also ensure that they have sunscreen applied before they come to school.

Well done to year 5 who have had a fantastic time on their residential this week – a huge thanks to Miss Dickenson, Mrs Lockwood and Mr Thompson for accompanying the children on the trip and to every single member of year 5 who did themselves and Dunnington proud.

We will include some photos and comments from the children in next week's newsletter.

We hope year 6 have an equally wonderful time next week.

Values Day

We had a wonderful day in our houses yesterday thinking about our school values and the theological rooting behind them: *"Be sympathetic, love one another, be compassionate and humble"* 1 Peter 3:8.

Each house considered a section of the verse, thinking about what the value means and how it can be lived out, both in and out of school. They also looked at bible stories, considering what these teach us about the value. Each house went on to produce some artwork linked to their value, which will be displayed in the hall, and presented what they had been working on in a collective worship at the end of the day.

We were so proud of how well the children worked together and how wonderfully they demonstrated our values throughout the day. The group I was working with focussed on "love one another". They decided that if we "love one another" it means everyone in our school will feel welcomed, valued, respected and cared for – what a wonderful ethos for us to live by!

We will share the completed display in next week's newsletter.

On a side note – it turned out that there was a little confusion about some children's houses – please reassure your child that they can continue to be in the house they think they are in for the remainder of the year – we will then send out a communication ensuring your child knows their house from September.

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OPAL – Resource Gathering

Thank you for anyone who was able to bring in resources this week.

Next week we are collecting:

Equipment for mud kitchens:

- Metal kitchen pans of any size
- Metal sieves/colanders
- Wooden and metal cooking utensils
- Old aprons/chef's hat/dressing up

Please can items be dropped off with Mrs Priest in the KS1 playground anytime during the allocated week. Thank you

We would also be really grateful if you could spare some time to fill in our survey about playtime. It should only take a few minutes, but will really help us to make sure the changes we make to playtimes and lunchtimes are beneficial for the whole school community. To complete the survey, please follow this link: <https://forms.gle/gKg3GZtYgAjQuLjo7>

Sports Day Reminder!

Sports Day preparations are now well underway!

EYFS and KS1 sports day is on Tuesday 1st July.

KS2 sports day is on Tuesday 8th July.

The children are welcome to come into school in their PE kits. As they will be competing for house points, contributing to the annual house cup competition, it would be fabulous if children could wear a t-shirt in the colour of their house. The colours are as follows:

- Tuke - Red
- Terry-Blue
- Craven-Green
- Rowntree- Yellow (white would also be ok as, on sunny days, yellow tends to attract the thunder bugs)!

Please also ensure the children have their water bottle, sun hat and have either sun tan lotion applied prior to school or some to apply at lunchtime as they will be outside.

Parents and carers are welcome to join us. The gates will be opened once we have all the children inside after lunchtime (approximately 1:10pm). Any late arrivals will need to report to the school office as the gates will need to be locked again at 1:30pm.

North Yorkshire Finals Year 6 Cricket team.

On Wednesday the Year 6 cricket team made their way to sunny Richmond to take part in the North Yorkshire finals.

It was an extremely hot day; however, the children did not let that get in the way and played some excellent cricket.

Every game was tight and we won 2 and lost 3. It would be an understatement to say that each game was played at a very high level! Just to get to the finals was an awesome achievement and to then hold their own against some fantastic cricketers showcased their togetherness!

Well done to everyone that took part and all the parents that took time out of their busy weeks to get the children there! We are very proud of you all!



Whatsapp

We have been hearing about some very large Whatsapp groups in year 6 that have been causing quite a lot of anxiety.

The minimum age for using Whatsapp is 13; however, we are aware there are children in school who use it.

If your child does use Whatsapp, please take a look at the attached fact sheet and talk to your child about how to use it respectfully and safely.

Dates for your Diary

Term Dates Summer 2025

June 2025	
Year 4 Swimming Lessons	Tuesday mornings
Year 6 Residential	Monday 23rd June - Thursday 26th June
New starters stay and play in reception	Tuesday 24th June or Wednesday 25th June 2pm – 3pm
Non uniform day for coloured hamper items	Friday 27th June 2025
Luke Charters (MP) visit year 5 and 6	Rescheduled for September
July 2025	
KS1 Sports Day	Tuesday 1st July 2025 Afternoon
Reports go out to parents	Friday 4th July 2025
PTA Summer Fair	Friday 4th July 2025 3:30pm – 5:00pm
KS2 Sports Day	Tuesday 8th July Afternoon
Choir Concert	Friday 11 th July 2025 4pm
Year 5 and 6 production: Dress Rehearsal Evening performances	Friday 11th July 2025 (PM) Monday 14th July 2025 – 6pm Tuesday 15th July 2025 – 6pm
Music celebration assembly	Tuesday 15th July 2025
Lunchtime picnic – all parents invited to join is for a lunch between 12noon and 1:00pm – school lunch will be a picnic option.	Wednesday 16th July 2025 12noon – 1:00pm
Year 6 Leavers' Assembly and tea party for parents	Thursday 17th July – 1:30pm
PTA Summer Disco	Thursday 17th July 2025
Year 6 Leavers' Service	Friday 18th July 2025 (no parents – whole school attends)
Last Day of the Summer Term	Friday 18th July 2025
Disaggregated Inset Days - no children in school	Monday 21st July 2025 Tuesday 22nd July 2025

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

Have a lovely weekend,

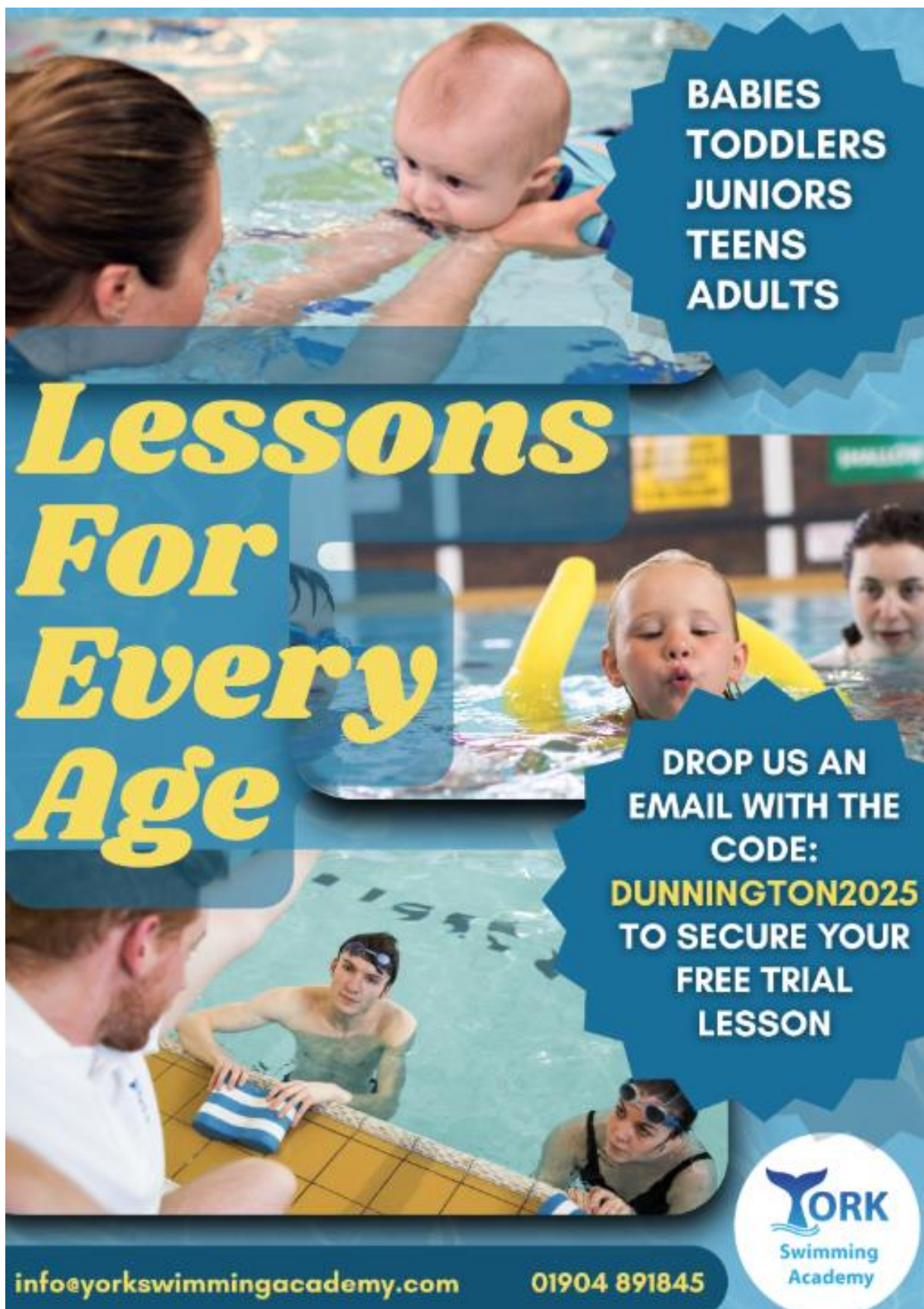
With very best wishes,
Clare Thompson

Attachments:

- WhatsApp Parent/Carer Fact Sheet
- Parent Carer Forum Newsletter and Poster
- Job advert– school cook

<https://nycjobs.engageats.co.uk/Vacancies/W/7659/0/452962/22763/cook>





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