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Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Cheese & tomato Pasta (v) Cornflake crispie	Chicken nuggets (v) Cheese whirl) Marble Berry Sponge & custard	Roast Pork & stuffing (v) veg sausage) Cheese & crackers	Beef chilli wrap (v) Quorn chilli wrap) Fruity flapjack	Battered Fish & chips (V) Quorn nuggets) Lemon Drizzle cake

Friday 23rd February 2024

Dear Families,

It has been great to welcome back all the children this week after the half term break. I hope you all had a wonderful time with your families. This week, the children have continued where they finished last half term with their projects in Donaldson and Dahl class and the children in Rowling beginning their new project on 'Around the World in 80 days'. Year 6 children began their English booster sessions this week in preparation for their upcoming SATs and Mr Jackson, our Sports Lead, introduced the children in Dahl and Rowling classes to Hockey and Donaldson to Multi-skills during their PE sessions. It was also great to see all our budding Beavers, Scouts, Rainbows, and Brownies wearing their uniforms yesterday in support of the Founders Day celebrations. This half term, although short, is full of events and activities, please see the calendar of events at the end of this newsletter for the dates and keep checking your children's bags and your emails for specific activity/club information. Families will have also received information this week regarding our annual Maypole Club for children in Year 2,3,4,5 and 6, and information regarding this year's World Book Day event that will take place on **Thursday 14th March**. Thank you for your continued support.



Next Week:

Tuesday 27th February – Cooking Club begins for children in Dahl 3.15 – 4.15pm

Thursday 29th February and Friday 1st March - Mothers and Others Day pocket money stall at lunchtime hosted by FOSS

Around the Classrooms:

Donaldson: This week, we have been exploring deserts and their physical features in Geography and comparing those locations to the UK. We have enjoyed writing descriptions, in English, about deserts and used the book Meerkat Mail as inspiration. In Maths, Reception have been exploring mass and capacity, whilst Year 1 have been understanding 20 on a number line.

Dahl: This week, we have been exploring Hadrian's wall and researching why it was built in History as part of our Roman project and in English we have started to plan our adventure story based on the book, 'Tilly and the Time Machine'. In Maths, we have all been mastering measure looking at m, cm and mm, whilst in Science we have been investigating how rocks are similar and different.

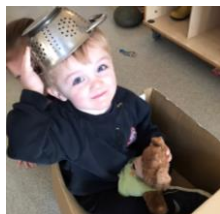


Rowling: This week, we have all been doing area and perimeter in Maths focusing on rectilinear shapes and in English we have been exploring an image from our new text 'The Quest' in preparation to plan, draft and write a setting description. In PHSE, we looked at the difference between debit and credit cards with a focus on budgeting, and in DT we have started to design our Hot Air Balloons linked to our project Around the World in 80 Days.



Pre-School:

We have had a great start to the second half of the Spring Term with lots of outdoor play. The children have noticed some of the plants have started to change and grow, including the daffodils. We have started our new project, 'To the moon and beyond' which is proving extremely popular with the children and there has been lots of interest and great play around our new super six book, 'Whatever Next' by Jill Murphy. The children have joined in to sing 'Twinkle, twinkle, little star' and have been talking about and creating stars with the playdough.



Maypole Club

I am delighted to announce that Mrs Paxton will once again run our Maypole Club for children in Years 2,3,4,5,6 supported by Mrs Ashworth on a Thursday from 3.15pm to 4.30pm starting next week, with the final date being Thursday 2nd May. All children who wanted to attend have received letters – we encourage as many children as possible to attend as we will need at least 18 children for the event to run successfully on the day. The Maypole event will run on Monday 6th May at the village green as part of the annual May Day celebrations.

Parents Evening – Wednesday 20th March

We will be hosting our Spring Parents Evening on Wednesday 20th March. You will be able to book an appointment using your MyChildatSchool account from 12:30pm today until Friday 15th March. If you have issues booking an appointment, please come and see Mrs Wilkie in the office. We look forward to seeing you all and discussing how your child(ren) are progressing in school.

Clubs in School and After School Club:

Below is the table of Clubs available to children both at lunchtime and after school for the next half term in addition to our nightly After School provision. We are also working on a club being delivered by the Stephen Joseph Theatre in school in the Summer term and Maypole will once again commence on Thursday 29th February.

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Lunchtime	Sports Leaders		Sports Leaders Library		Netball Eco-Warriors
After School	Library Open to all	Cooking Club - Dahl	Sports with Mr Jackson	Year 6 SATs Club - English	



After School

Club Themes for this term:

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Games	Art	Sports with Mr Jackson	Craft and Creation	Film Night

Please contact the school office if you require your child to be in After School Club – spaces are limited.



We are planning to do a Careers Week for the whole school from Monday 10th to Friday 15th June. We have started to plan activities for the week including workshops and a careers fair on the Tuesday afternoon, and the chance for all children to apply for a number of positions in school and be that person for some of the day including Head of School and School Administrator. The idea is to broaden our children's horizons to all the opportunities that are available to them in the future. If you are able support this week with your time for either the workshop or career fair, please complete the reply slip on the letter and return to school by **Friday 1st March**. Thank you for your support.



FOSS Events in Spring:

FOSS have released the dates of two events that will be taking place after the half term break.

Thursday 29th February and Friday 1st March – Mothers and Others Day.

Pocket money stall held by FOSS on a lunchtime in school.

Tuesday 19th March – Chocolate Family Bingo Night in the school hall from 5.15pm until 6.30pm

More information regarding the events and how to purchase tickets for the Easter Bingo will be sent out closer to the dates.



As part of our on-going programme of information to support parents with e-safety and to support children staying safe online, this week's factsheet is on 'What parents and carers need to know about Persuasive Design online'. If you would like any further support with online safety, please do get in touch. We are happy to help in any way we can.



Eco Warriors Request:

Our Eco-Warrior team have met and decided that they would like to create a mosaic for our growing area out of plastic bottle tops. If you have any bottle tops around the house (any type of bottle top is welcome) please bring them into school and Mrs Carrack will store them before the mosaic is created. This is all to support our whole school effort on recycling and using materials in a different way. Thank you for your support.

Have a great weekend with your families.

The Sinnington Team



Calendar of Events

Thursday 22 nd February – Thursday 21 st March	Year 6 SATs Booster English (Every Thursday for 5 weeks)
Tuesday 27 th February to Tuesday 19 th March	Cooking Club for children in Dahl (4 weeks from 3.15 to 4.15pm)
Thursday 29 th February and Friday 1 st March	Mothers and Others Day pocket money stall at lunchtime hosted by FOSS
Thursday 29 th February to Thursday 2 nd May	Maypole Club (Yr 2,3,4,5,6) 3.15 – 4.30pm)
Thursday 14 th March	World Book Day
Friday 15 th March	Red Nose Day (Details to be confirmed by School Council)
Tuesday 19 th March	NSPCC and Workshops for Years 2 to 6
Tuesday 19 th March	Chocolate Family Bingo Night from 5.15 to 6.30pm in the school hall
Wednesday 20 th March	Parents Evening for children Reception to Year 6
Thursday 11 th April	Egypt workshop at Durham Oriental Museum for Dahl Class (time TBC)
Friday 10 th May	Class photographs (Donaldson, Dahl and Rowling only)
Tuesday 14 th and Wednesday 15 th May	Bikeability for Year 5 children in school (more details to follow)
Monday 13 th to Thursday 16 th May	Year 6 SATs week
Monday 10 th June to Friday 14 th June	Whole School Careers Week (A range of activities throughout the week)
Monday 1 st July	Countryside Day at Blakey (R-Year 6) (timings TBC)