

# Drax Community Primary School

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## Newsletter

13<sup>th</sup> November 2015

Dear Parents / Carers,

We have had another busy week at Drax Community Primary School, culminating with Children In Need day today. It's lovely to see all the children in non-uniform. The amount raised so far is mentioned elsewhere in the Newsletter.

Today, our Junior Road Safety Officers have been spending the day at Drax Power Station and we look forward to finding out what they have learned next week.

Earlier in the week some of our KS2 pupils spent the afternoon at Holy Family School, Carlton for an afternoon, and learned some valuable skills.

We have also been learning about the reasons behind Remembrance Day and KS1 pupils wrote some lovely poems on the subject.

### House Points

House Points are awarded for positive displays of social and emotional behaviour.

**This week's winners are Dino Sam** with 56! (**Minion Madness**: 41 **Red Eagles**:47) Well done to all the teams for their efforts in this week.

(Cumulative points: **Red Eagles**: 78, **Dino Sam**: 96 , **Minion Madness**:75)

### Attendance

*Our overall school attendance* this week has been 87.05 %!

Well done Class 2 for having 91.4% attendance this week!

Please remember that the bell goes at 8.55am in the mornings and your child(ren) should be in school before this time. **ALL Children should be bringing a warm coat to wear at playtimes now that the weather seems to be turning a little colder.**

### Pick-it-up Tidy-up Award

This week Class 2 has won! Well done for looking after your classroom this week!

### Merit Certificates

Class 1	<b>Jonathan</b> for writing a super story, <b>Oliver Be</b> for helping to resource classroom areas, <b>Oliver Br</b> for <b>excellent</b> problem-solving skills,
Class 2	<b>Florence</b> for trying her hardest in all areas of school life, <b>Jodie</b> for <b>excellent</b> public speaking during our magistrate's play, <b>Reece</b> for a confident attitude towards Maths, <b>Carys</b> for going above and beyond with her homework.

### Behaviour

Behaviour has continued to be superb this week. Well done everyone! Let's keep this going until the end of term!

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## Dinner Money

Please can I remind parents that all Dinner monies should be paid in advance on a Monday morning. A full week costs £10.50 (each day is £2.10). If you think you may be in arrears, or are not sure if you owe anything at the moment, please see Mrs. Seager in the office.

## ADMISSIONS SEPTEMBER 2016

If you or someone you know has a child who is 4 or will be 4 before September 2016, you can now go online at [www.northyorks.gov.uk/admissions](http://www.northyorks.gov.uk/admissions) to start the process of securing a place in a primary school in September 2016. If you need any further information, please ask Mrs. Seager in the office for a leaflet, or use the webpage address above.

## Bug-Busters!

With the colder weather arriving, the risk from headlice is increased due to them enjoying the comforts of central heating. As children are indoors more, the opportunity of them spreading from child to child is heightened. With this in mind, we have invested in some "Bug-Busting"combs. If any parent would like to collect one, please ask at the office. We can also access kits to assist in headlice removal if anyone requires them!

## SAFEGUARDING

Would parents please note that due to changes in the Safeguarding Policy the back door of the main building will now be locked at 9.00am, once the school day has started. If parents need to speak to members of staff or have other issues, please go to the office at the front of school via the front door entrance. Please do not be offended if you are asked to leave the building after this time and go around to the front door, it is purely for the safety of the children. .

## PARKING

Would parents please refrain from parking on the Zigzag Lines outside the school at any time between 8am and 5pm, but especially pick up and drop off times. These lines are there for the safety of our children, and unfortunately, could result in a fine. Also, would parents ensure they park safely and considerately not only for the children's safety but also for our neighbours.

## Children In Need

Thank you for your kind donations for this wonderful charity. So far we have raised £30.75. If anyone has any late donations, please give them to Mrs Seager in the office.

## PTA

Please find a short newsletter from the PTA accompanying this newsletter

## Key Dates

**18<sup>th</sup> November – Whole school visit to Thackray Museum, Leeds**

**30<sup>th</sup> November – KS2 Cross Country Event at Tadcaster Grammar School**

**4<sup>th</sup> December – NSPCC Bobble Hat Day**

**10<sup>th</sup> December – School Christmas Dinner**

**18<sup>th</sup> December – Christmas Party**

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Yours sincerely,

Claire-Marie Habbishaw  
(Head Teacher)

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