

Dear Parents and Carers,

THANK YOU!

As we approach the end of what has been another tumultuous year, I wanted to send you all a sincere thank you. As a result of the ongoing pandemic, the last 12 months have posed yet more challenges that we have had to overcome in school. We could not have got through this period without the support and positivity that our Donisthorpe families have offered school staff, we really have appreciated your support. I am sure that you will all join me in thanking the entire staff team for their hard work, even in such difficult times; they have once again adapted and have continued to do their very best for the children; that is what makes Donisthorpe so special.

Farewell Year 6!

As the academic year ends, we will certainly be sad to say goodbye to our amazing group of Year 6 children and their families. These children have not had all the experiences that we would normally offer to mark the end of their time in primary school, but we will never forget them and the memories that we have created together! Although we are sad to see them go, we are also happy knowing that they are well prepared for the next stage of their educational journey. At secondary school, the children will have even more opportunities available to them, and I am sure they will continue to thrive. We look forward to hearing about their journey into the future.

Year 6 arrangements for the last day

On Friday 9th July, Mr Williamson and Mrs Hill be hosting the official premiere of the Year 6 video for our current Year 6 children. Upon arrival at school, children will be asked to continue walking past the usual entrance, up to the playground gates. Here, they will be met with sparkling drinks and canapés before making their way through to the premiere entrance via the red carpet!



PTFA News

As a special treat, on the last day of term, the PTFA have very kindly arranged for the children to have a visit from the ice cream van! Every child will have the opportunity to visit the ice cream van with their class during the afternoon. The ice creams will be paid for by the PTFA.



After the success of their first 'Break the Rules Day' the PTFA will be holding another Break the Rules Day on Friday 9th July. Children are encouraged to break the suggested rules for a small donation.

Class Structure

Yesterday the children spent the morning with their new teachers in their new classrooms. It was great to see so many happy children and smiling teachers, we are excited for the year ahead!

	Class Teacher	Supported by:
EYFS Team	Miss Alicia Bloor	Mrs Linda Eldridge Mrs Charlotte Locker am
Year 1 Team	Mrs Lauren Pacey	Mrs Rachel Edwards
Year 2 Team	Miss Kirsty Morton	Mrs Kathryn Brownlow
Year 3 Team	Mrs Rachael Lavender	Mrs Lisa Marrison Mrs Sue Bown
Year 4 Team	Mrs Kirsty Lee-Mabey Mon/Tues Mrs Catherine Moore Wed/Thurs/Fri	Mrs Rosie Pawson Mrs Helen Parkinson Miss Rebecca Weir 1:1
Year 5 Team	Mrs Claire Merry Mon/Tues/Wed Mrs Leah Hughes Thurs/Fri	Mrs Claire Farrell
Year 6 Team	Mr Jamie Williamson	Mrs Lyndsey Hill
SEN Champion	Mrs Claire Eaton will be working with groups and individuals across the school	

End of Year Reports

You will by now have received your children's end of year reports. Please do not forget to complete the short electronic survey if you would like to make any comments about the report or to arrange a telephone call to discuss your child's report with their class teacher. The survey can be completed by clicking this link: <https://forms.office.com/Pages/ResponsePage.aspx?id=F4esjTnEwUyWrHCDUaZRtdiurPTfzj5KtvGvKkunGqVUOFhIRURDU005VIRFWEZPQUhRSFpUOVVLNS4u>

School Uniform in September

After the summer break we will be expecting children to return to school in full Donisthorpe Uniform, this includes appropriate PE kits on PE days. Children wearing the wrong kit will be asked to change.

Covid-19

Please continue to be vigilant and do not send your child to school if they feel unwell. As well as the three main COVID symptoms: cough, loss of taste, and high temperature, children can sometimes present with symptoms such as headaches and sore throats. Please be aware of these wider symptoms, do not send your child to school.

Book a full PCR test, remember that the Lateral Flow tests are not reliable when used on children and should not be used if any symptoms are present. We do not want to risk an outbreak this close to the summer holidays.

Book at test: <https://www.nhs.uk/conditions/coronavirus-covid-19/>



I truly hope that next academic year our lives in school will be able to return to normal. I will be watching the news hopefully over the summer to see if further national restrictions are lifted so that we can return to pre-covid routines in school. I will contact you towards the end of the summer break to confirm details and remind you of the timings etc.

This will be my last newsletter of the year so I would like to wish you all a wonderful summer break and look forward to welcoming you all back to school on **Wednesday 25th August 2021.**



Regards,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Sylvie Newman".

Sylvie Newman,
Executive Headteacher

Wednesday 25th August	School reopens to children for Autumn Term	
Monday 30th August	School closed for Bank Holiday	