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Friday 20th September

Kindness Week

Next week, in school, we are celebrating Kindness Week with various activities. This will include children wearing 'Something which makes them happy' on Thursday 10th October. This could be an accessory or a whole outfit – anything which they feel happy in! The children will take part in activities with their house group on this day.



Harvest Festival



Our annual Harvest Festival will take place at the Sports Hall on Thursday 24th October at 9.15am. This year we will be supporting the Pelican Community Trust by sending our Harvest donations to them. Please see the poster attached to this newsletter for more details. We ask that parents only send donations on the morning of the Harvest Festival and then they will be collected that day by the Pelican Community Trust.

Absences and appointments

It is imperative that all of the above go through the school office. We request that parents always provide evidence of appointments (this could be a screenshot of a message or a letter) otherwise the absence will be recorded as unauthorised. We are aware that some emergency appointments do not supply this evidence but we ask that where possible this is provided.

School Meals

All children in Key Stage Two (Years 3–6) will have their school meal charges added to their Parent Pay account. The cost of a school meal is £2.70.

If you think you may be eligible for Free School Meals (FSM) please look at the following website for more details please click [here](#).

The Music Box

We have been fortunate for the last few months to be able to offer music lessons in school with The Music Box. This week, they delivered an assembly to Classes 2, 3 and 4 to show the children what the sessions offer. They have provided the below information for parents:

The Music Box has been delivering high-quality instrumental tuition in schools across Hull and the East Riding for over 15 years and are pleased to be working with Dunswell Primary School.

Music lessons take place in school and during the school day, in small groups or privately for guitar, ukulele, keyboard, piano, singing and musicianship for our youngest learners. We are currently offering the opportunity

for pupils interested in learning to play an instrument, to take part in a **FREE** trial session in school. Pupils will be able to try out different instruments, meet our teachers, and ask questions before committing to lessons.

If your child is interested in learning a musical instrument and you would like them to take part in a **FREE** instrumental trial session, please complete the **Google form** by scanning the **QR code** below. Sessions are subject to demand and will take place in school this term.



Scan here to sign up for the free session

PTA Events

The PTA are running a number of events this term including the Halloween Disco. They have asked for volunteer helpers to support them in setting up for the disco. Please contact the office if you can help in any way and we can put you in touch with a member of the PTA.

Support

Please find below links to support groups:

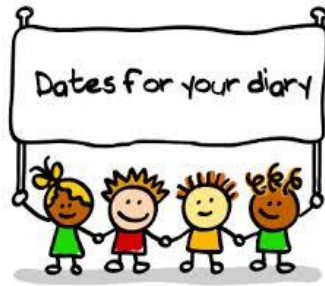
Early Help support: [East Riding Early Help](#)

The teams offer a range of activities and services for children, young people and their families offering the right help at the right time so that families are resilient, feel confident, safe, healthy and happy. Our services include the following:

- Information and advice
- Additional family support and services and activity sessions that are free and for all children and families
- Intensive family support for families who may need additional support to get through a difficult time.

Domestic Violence: [East Riding Domestic Violence Support](#)

Mental Health and Wellbeing: [East Riding Support](#)



AUTUMN TERM 2024

Monday 7th – Friday 11th October – Kindness week. Children to wear ‘What makes them happy’ on Thursday 10th October.

Wednesday 16th October – Class 1, 2, 3 and 4 Parents’ Evening (please see separate letter sent this week)

Thursday 17th October – Class 2, 3 and 4 Parents’ Evening (please see separate letter sent this week)

Friday 18th October – Class 4 Educational Visit

Tuesday 22nd October – Halloween SEN event at school 3.45pm

Thursday 24th October – Harvest Festival at the Sports Hall 9.15am. All welcome

Thursday 24th October – Halloween Disco at the Sports Hall 5.30–7pm – PTA

Thursday 24th October – School closes for Half term

Monday 4th November – School opens for Autumn Term Two

Tuesday 12th November – Open evening for September 2025 starters

We strongly recognise the part which parents play in their child’s education. We can work together as a partnership to ensure that we all promote high standards of learning, behaviour and attitudes towards school so that all children can be the very best.

Yours sincerely

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Catherine Burrell
Head of School

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Alison Oxtoby
Executive Head Teacher