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## Phase Newsletter: Spring 22023

Dringhouses Discovery Curriculum - What will we be learning about?

## York Glorious York!

This half term, our driver will be PSHCE, in which we will be learning about how to be a good local and global citizen in York, and our wider community. We are really excited to be looking for ways that the children can make a positive difference to their community. Keep your eyes peeled on our Instagram page for updates!

## Help Please!

Reading- If any family members are able to help us by listening to readers, that would be very much appreciated! Please contact your child's class teacher if this is something you are able to do.

The Year 4 children will be sitting their multiplication check in June. If you are able to support your child by helping them to rapidly recall their multiplication facts up to $12 \times 12$, that would really support us in making sure the children are as well prepared for this as possible.
Top Tips!
Stick to one times table at a time to minimise confusion
Start with chanting and writing them out slowly in order
Then move on to completing the answers quickly in order - on paper or verbally with your child Finally, move on to completing the answers in any order
Keep reminding your child that $3 \times 4$ is the same as $4 \times 3$ - this effectively halves the number of tables facts
Each times table has a square number $3 \times 3,7 \times 7$
Talk about the numbers as you encounter them " $5 \times 8=40$ that's mummy's age", " $3 \times 6=18$ that's our house number" . . . this makes more memory hooks
When you're trying to speed up recalling tables introduce some games!

## Things you need to know

## Homework:

-To read for at least 20 minutes every day.

- To complete at least 4 Spelling Shed activities each week.
- To practise multiplication tables on TimesTables Rockstars each week. Each fortnight, we send home a paper copy of the focus times tables for additional practise at home. We appreciate as much of your support with this as possible to ensure that our children are fluent and confident mathematicians as possible- thank you.

Trips/workshops/clubs:
21.2.24/22.2.24- River Workshops in school 4.3.24/5.3.24- Chocolate Story Trip

Y3 football club with Mr Gaines- Thursdays Y4 Dance and Gym club with Miss Dye- Tuesdays Circus skills club with Circus Stu - Wednesdays Cookery club with Clare's Kitchen- Thursdays
21.2.24/22.2.24- River Workshops in school
4.3.24/5.3.24- Chocolate Story Trip
21.3.24- Work showcase in classes 8:35-9:00
21.3.24- KS2 Spring Concert 2:00-3:00 in hall

Choir- Fridays
Orchestra-Mondays
Reading books:
We will be reading Charlie and the Chocolate factory to compliment our History learning about York being a chocolate city! We are excited to delve into this fantastic book.

Class 6
Class 7
Class 8
PE Day

Assembly / Event

| Wednesday | Thursday | Friday |
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| 21.3.24- Work showcase in classes 8:35-9:00 |  |  |

## Information/Dates for the School

Special mention: This happens every Friday. If your child is nominated, you will find out on the Monday before the assembly.
Charity day/s, PTA Events and school focus weeks:
Monday 19th February- return to school
Thursday 7th March- World Book day (dressing up involved- further correspondence to follow) Tuesday 12th March- Book Fair
Friday 22nd March- break up for Easter
Monday 8th April- Inset day
Tuesday 9th April- school opens

