

9TH MAY
2025



SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

Dear Families,

It's been another vibrant and exciting week here at Dringhouses! A huge thank you goes to FODS for organising the brilliant KS2 discos – the children had a fantastic time and it was wonderful to see so much energy and joy on the dance floor. We're also looking ahead to the upcoming **Sponsored Walk on Wednesday 21st May** which promises to be a fun and active event for all involved while raising valuable funds for the school.

In our assemblies this week, we've reflected on two important moments – celebrating the incredible life and work of **Sir David Attenborough** on his birthday, and commemorating **VE Day**, taking time to think about peace and gratitude in our world today.

Our talented choir has also begun preparations for the end-of-year musical, **'Moana'**, and we're excited to see their creativity and voices shine. They're also beginning work on an upcoming opera project, which promises to be an inspiring experience.

Wishing all our families a restful and lovely weekend.

Warm regards,

Miss Swiers and Mr Laycock

DATES FOR THE HALF TERM

w/c Monday 12th May– Y6 SATs Week

Thursday 15th May– Neurodiversity and Wellbeing Parent Drop In (8:35–10:00am)

Monday 19th May– UKS2 Parent v Child Quiz (2:15–3:00pm)

Wednesday 21st May: FODS The Great Dringy Run

Wednesday 21st May: Y6 Brownlee Triathlon (pm)

Thursday 22nd May– EYFS Outdoor Learning (am)

Thursday 22nd May– KS1 Parent Event (8:45–9:15am)

Friday 23rd May– Bake Sale after school

ATTENDANCE AT DRINGHOUSES

Please see below our attendance for each year group this week. Please remember that each missed session has an impact on your child's educational journey. Please see the attendance for this week below.

Reception: 88% Year 1: 97% Year 2: 92% Year 3: 95% Year 4: 97% Year 5: 90% Year 6: 92.5%

The class with the highest attendance this week was Class 8. Well done for an excellent 97% attendance. 'Attendi Pengi', our giant (very cute!) penguin will be spending the week with them after the Easter break.



VE DAY COMPETITION

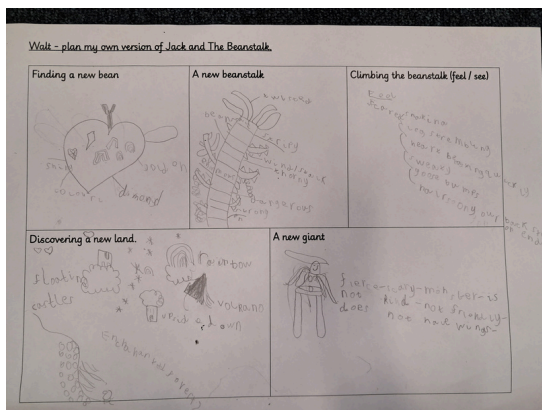
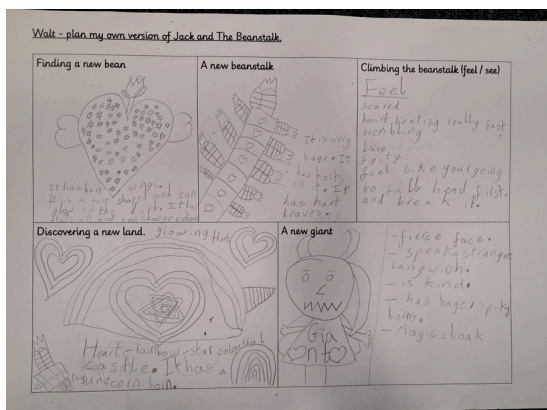
We have had some wonderful entries for the VE Day competition, thank you to everyone who took part.



KS1 UPDATE

This week, KS1 have started planning their own versions of Jack and the Beanstalk. The children worked hard to produce some wonderful, imaginative plans, and we can't wait to begin writing our stories and share them with you at our parent/carer event in a few weeks' time.

Here are a couple of examples of their work.



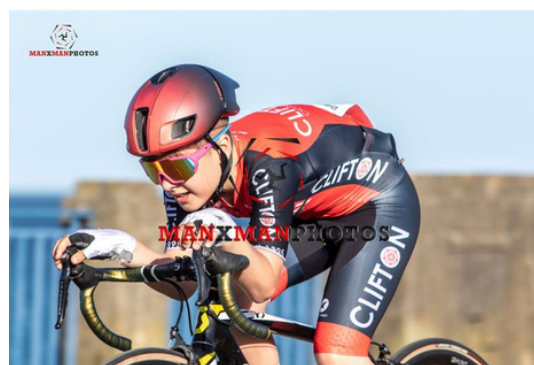
We have also been designing and beginning to make bunting inspired by our favourite traditional tales. In maths, we're enjoying learning about equal and unequal parts, as well as recognising and finding halves ($\frac{1}{2}$).

We are so proud of the children for all their enthusiasm and hard work! Well done KS1!

CYCLING SUCESS

Recently Archie in year 4, travelled to the Isle of Man for the British Cycling youth tour. Archie won the Under 10s Time Trial which was the first stage of the event, meaning he was the first to wear the yellow jersey into stage 2. He then went on to come second in the final stage which was a circuit race.

Many congratulations Archie!



PRE-LOVED CLOTHING SALE

3pm - 3.45pm
14th-16th May

Outside the school office

Pre loved school uniforms and PE kit in various sizes
Suggested donation 50p an item



CHICKEN RUN

The Joseph Rowntree Theatre are showing Chicken Run on Sunday 25th May at 2pm. They are offering one free child ticket with every standard ticket purchased. You can use the code FREECHILDCR at the checkout when purchasing tickets to apply the offer.



2pm 7pm

Fundraising Film Screenings
Sunday 25 May 2025

Tickets £5.00

Book online at
josephrowntreetheatre.co.uk
or via Box Office
01904 501935



FESTIVAL OF IDEAS



The Festival of Ideas is back in York from the 10th of May.

The full calendar of events can be found at:
<https://yorkfestivalofideas.com/2025/calendar/>

Some family friendly events include:

- Explore Space (28th May)
- Hunt for Medieval Mason's Marks (31st May)
- Indoor Dig (31st May)
- The Filthy, Beastly Tour of York (1st June)
- Michael Morpurgo day (3rd June)

FODS

What a fantastic evening we had at the KS2 Discos last night! The hall was buzzing with excitement, and it was such a joy to see the children showing off their best dance moves and having a great time with their friends. A huge thank you to all the parent volunteers and teachers who generously gave their time to supervise and support the event: Mrs Auckland, Miss Stead, Mr Hardcastle, Mr Field, Miss Kilmartin, Miss Swiers, Mrs Hart, and Mr Laycock — we couldn't have done it without you!

Looking ahead, we're excited to announce The Great Dringy Run on Wednesday 21st May! As a school community, we're setting ourselves the challenge of running a combined total of 300 miles around Dringhouses Cricket Field. Each class will be taking part during the school day, and we'll be cheering each other on as we work together to reach our goal. It's not a race — it's all about teamwork, participation, and having fun!

We're also inviting families to support the run through sponsorship. Donations can be made via our Go Fund Me page: <https://gofund.me/3a1b308a>.

If cash works better for you, please bring it to the school office in a clearly labelled envelope by Friday 6th June.

We know our Year 6 pupils are heading off to the Brownlee Triathlon that afternoon, so they'll be completing their laps in the morning to make sure they're part of this exciting challenge too. **Page 04**

Hosted by your PTA

...FODS...

The Great Dringy Run

21 May 2025

Dringhouses Cricket Field



Run - Walk - Dance 300 Miles

Fundraising for:

Hire of Chrome Books

Picnic Benches and Parasols

Dynamic Learning Software

The Great Dringy Run

