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Newsletter

Friday 20th November, 2020

Since our last newsletter, there are many exciting developments to share with you in this newsletter. We have had some amazing feedback following the coverage on BBC Radio York recently. Thank you to all the people who were interviewed and helped to promote our school.

We now have 15 pupils with 100% attendance so far this term. Well done to each of you for maintaining this excellent record for so many weeks.

Our whole school attendance is now 97.71% which is outstanding.

Please continue to inform school if anyone in your household presents with symptoms of Covid-19 or is informed that they should self-isolate. This information is crucial so that we can help you understand whether your child should self-isolate or not. School has a remote learning plan in place and will support your child's learning at home by sharing learning resources and reading should they need to self-isolate.

What a wonderful village we are in!

Our newsletter is distributed to interested individuals and companies throughout local villages. Following our last newsletter, I was contacted by individuals offering support to our school. It was overwhelming to receive such generous financial support and good will from our local community.

Donations have been received that have enabled school to purchase another laptop for our pupils to use as well as a heart rate sensor. The heart rate sensor is a visual way to view a heart rate on a laptop and pupils will learn to understand the impact of breathing techniques to manage the heart rate. This can be beneficial for well-being as well as a self-coping strategy.

These donors wish to remain anonymous, but I wanted to thank them for their support of our school and to briefly outline the ways that we can use their donation. As a school community, we feel blessed to have the support of our local villagers and know that, together, we can continue to grow and develop the school.

Dates for the diary

- 23rd Nov - Robbie Hawkes PE
- 27th Nov - Forest School
- 30th Nov - Robbie Hawkes PE
- 7th Dec - Robbie Hawkes PE
- 11th Dec - Forest School
- 14th Dec - Robbie Hawkes PE
- 18th Dec - Christmas Jumper Day
(or decorate a jumper)
- Christmas dinner
- Class based Christmas celebration
- 18th Dec - Break up for Christmas**
- 4th January 2021 - Staff Training Day
- 5th Jan - Pupils return to school**

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Uniform and PE kits

As you know, school revised our Uniform Policy at the end of last summer term. Please ensure the PE kits being worn on Mondays follow this policy. To remind you, children must wear black shorts with a white t-shirt. In the colder winter months children can wear navy joggers and a navy jumper as we will be outdoors for PE wherever possible. Earrings must be removed or covered with a plaster at home. Watches and other jewellery must be removed for PE. If you are ensure, please see the school website for a copy of the Uniform Policy or request a copy from the school office.

Christmas preparations

It has been wonderful to see the mugs, Christmas cards and other keepsakes designed by your children being delivered to you recently. We know there are some orders still to be delivered and hope these will arrive shortly.

Please see the key dates for Christmas events for your children in school. Obviously, some things will need to be planned differently this year, but we remain committed to the children not missing the things we know they look forward to. We are attempting to identify solutions that we can share with you in the coming weeks.

Community outdoor table tennis fundraising

Hello, I'm trying to improve community sports facilities on the playing field. I am proposing putting a permanent table tennis table on the playing field near to the children's playground, so that it would enhance the other sports facilities, and would attract younger participants as well as parents and grandparents. I have applied for funding with the help of the Playing Field & Village Hall Committee. We need to raise about £1000, but less can attract match funding. Please can you contribute to the Aviva Community Crowdfunding page below.

Thanks

Tom Farrell

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<http://www.avivacommunityfund.co.uk/snainton-outdoor-table-tennis-table>

Crisp packets

Please save empty crisp packets. School will host a collection point to support a local group of volunteers that are turning them into foil blankets for the homeless this winter. The volunteers have a Facebook group called 'Scarborough survival blankets and bivi bags' if you would like to learn more about their work. One of our parents has already agreed to transport any donated crisp packets to a bigger collection point in Scarborough.

Our waste crisp packets could literally save a life this winter.

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