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Dear Families,

I would like to thank all of our families for the amazing support and understanding that you have shown over this first three weeks of term. We appreciate that it has not been the easiest start to the academic year when we have all experienced so much disruption already in recent months, but seeing the children working and playing together so well is an absolute pleasure to see. The children are all extremely settled in their classes and we are delighted with the children's positive attitude towards all aspects of their learning.

Flood Update

Unfortunately, I am still not able to give you any clear timescales for how long the current arrangements will need to be in place. We are awaiting a specialist to further assess the damage and provide advice on what is required and this has to be commissioned through the loss adjustor. I would like to assure you all that we are chasing this on a very regular basis to ensure that this is completed as swiftly as possible and we will keep you all informed as soon as we get any further updates. We do share your frustrations!

Cross Country Success

We would like to say a huge well done to all of our Key Stage 2 cross country runners who put in an exemplary performance at the event last week. There was a particularly strong performance from the Year 3 / 4 girls with Fylingdales finishing in first, second and third place. Well done to Evelyn, Bella and Darcy and also to Chase who came in third place in the boys event. All of the groups have made a fantastic start to the league and we were incredibly proud of the behaviour and attitudes of all of our children. We look forward to seeing further sporting achievements in the coming months.

Thank you

We would like to say a huge thank you to the Fylingdales Womens Institute who have given a very generous donation of £80 to our Early Year class. The donation has been used to purchase materials to develop our outdoor provision area. We appreciate that we haven't been able to use this yet, but I am sure that the children will absolutely love the changes when we can finally return to the Fylingdales site.

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We would also like to thank Jill Bagshaw who brought a giant sunflower head for all of the children to see. The children were amazed to see the photos of these giant sunflowers and our early years classes used their measuring skills to discover that they were taller than their classroom! Jill has kindly said that she will dry the seeds for us all and next year every child in the federation will get some seeds to grow. I am looking forward to seeing who can grow the tallest plant next year!

Fylingdales 100 Club

The purpose of the 100 Club is to raise funds for the sole benefit of Fylingdales CE and this is run as a monthly draw, with an annual fee of £12 which must be paid before the numbers are entered in to the draw. Each month there will be a 1st, 2nd and 3rd prize, where winnings will be 20%, 10% and 5% of all numbers paid for. We will be sending a letter out to parents next week with more information about this and outlining how you can participate. Anyone over the age of 16 can enter this, so please share with family members.

If any of our Hawsker families would be interested in running a similar club for Hawsker school please contact me and we can arrange a meeting with the organisers of the Fylingdales club.

Nasal Flu Vaccinations

The **nasal influenza** vaccination is being offered to all children in Reception-Year 11 across the district. The childhood immunisation team is scheduled to visit our schools this Autumn as part of this programme. If you would like your child to receive this immunisation in school, please ensure your consent form has been submitted within one week of receiving the letter. If you have not received a copy of this, please contact the office and we can send this out to you again.

Octoberfest Run

The Rotary Club of Whitby & District is once again this year organising their Octoberfest fun run for young people. In past years the Octoberfest event has proved very popular and with your help it can be so again this year. The event will take place on **Sunday, October 3rd from 2 pm** at Caedmon College, Whitby and will include 5 separate boy and girl races for years 3 / 4 and also 5 / 6 with a final race open to anyone under 14. Everyone who runs will receive a medal and there will be special trophies for the winner and runner-up in each race. In addition the schools providing the most runners at different age-groups will be awarded a shield.

If you are interested in taking part, you will need to complete the attached entry form and pay an entry fee of £2.50, which will need to be brought in to school. This year the organisers are also giving runners the chance to raise some money for their chosen charity of **Mind**, the mental health charity. Their work is recognised as being very important in this field, especially since Covid, and we hope that some children will collect some sponsorship for this very worthwhile charity. All money can be brought to school after the event and we will pass this on to the organisers.

Solve it Group

Our first Solve It Group meeting will be on **Wednesday 29th September at 6.00pm** at Hawsker Primary School. We are conscious that Covid cases in the area are rising, so we will ensure that this takes place in a well ventilated space and hand sanitiser will be available on entry. Thank you to the parents who have already confirmed their attendance, please could you inform the office if you would like to join us for this.

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Date for the diary

Our first parent consultation evenings will be taking place on Thursday 14th October for our Hawsker families and Tuesday 19th October for Fylingdales families. More details to follow soon.

Thank you for your continued support and I hope that you all have a wonderful weekend,

Mrs Helen Thompson
Executive Headteacher