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Dear Families,

**Weekly Flood Update**

I am absolutely delighted to be able to say that progress is being made on our road to reinstatement! We have been liaising with various contractors throughout the week and they will be starting on site next week. There are some more fixtures which need to be removed at the start of the week and then the preparatory work gets underway. Some of the key fixtures have been ordered and we are meeting with the more of the contractors next week to finalise some of the finishes. Unfortunately, the contractors will not commit to a timescale yet, as they are awaiting more information about the lead in times for the supply of the materials, but we will keep you all informed as soon as we get any more information.

**Covid Update**

We would like to make families aware that we have seen a small number of cases in school over the past week. Whilst schools are not required to do any contact tracing, we would like to do everything that we can to keep our whole community safe as possible, as we know that lots of families have vulnerable friends or relatives. In order to support as much as possible, we will send an email out to families where we have received notification of a positive case in a class. This will mean that families can monitor their children over the days after the email and you may choose to do lateral flow tests for a few days to pick up any children who may be asymptomatic. Please do not hesitate to contact us if you have any queries about potential symptoms and we will always be happy to help.

**Reading Suitcases**



Congratulations to our first Reading Stars. We are all looking forward to receiving their feedback about the contents of the cases. If your child is our reading star of the week, please can you ensure that the suitcase and all of the contents are returned to school by Wednesday. A huge thank you to Mrs Dixon and Mrs Rose for getting all of these cases ready for the children.



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### **Late Arrivals**

We understand that all families have the occasional day where you are running late. As part of our safeguarding, please could we remind all parents that if children are late to arrive at school they must come in via the school office and should not come in via the bottom gate. This is so they can be added to the register and can be taken to class by a member of staff. This is particularly important for children in Ash, Explorers and Acorn classes, as the class doors are locked once the teachers have left the gates in the morning and they may not be able to hear a child knocking at the door.

### **After School Club - Wednesday Art Project**

Our Before and After School Club theme nights have been really popular and it has been wonderful to see an increasing number of children attending these sessions. Our Wednesday night sessions will have a very exciting project for our children this half term. We would like the children to create a stunning piece of collaborative art entitled 'New Beginnings' which will be taken to the Eskdale Festival of Arts. The final art work will be on display at the Whitby Pavilion throughout the February half term for locals and visitors to appreciate followed by this being displayed within school.

We are very fortunate to be having some special visitors from Whitby Sixth Form to help some children in our after school club to put this amazing piece of art work together and we can't wait to see it taking shape. Places at the sessions are limited, so please ensure that you book in advance if your child would like to be part of the Wednesday art sessions.

### **How you can help...**

Our art project will be divided into 4 sections. One of these will be 'sunrise sunset' We would like children to contribute by sending us a picture of the sunrise that they may have taken. Please bring your photos into school, send them through dojo or email them to the school office by Monday 22nd January.

### **Music Opportunity**

We are looking to extend our music provision and we are delighted to say that we are looking at being able to add some instrumental teaching to our extra-curricular activities. Miss Gillian Edwards is employed by North Yorkshire County Music Service and has offered to run extra-curricular music groups after school. If this is something your child would be interested in could you please email [hawskeradmin@hcfed.co.uk](mailto:hawskeradmin@hcfed.co.uk) and we can make a register of interest, stating which musical instrument your child would be interested in learning we can pass these details on to Miss Edwards. She can offer brass, woodwind and guitar lessons, however children need their own instruments. It may be that Miss Edwards teaches the most popular instrument. More details will follow in due course.

### **Ink Cartridge Recycling Scheme**

**Raise money and protect the environment with our new inkjet recycling programme.**



We have signed up to a new recycling scheme through the company Recycle4Charity which not only benefits the environment, but also raises valuable funding for school.

Did you know that over 300 million inkjet cartridges are sold in Europe every year, but only 15% of these are remanufactured and a staggering 45 million cartridges end up in landfill in the UK every year. These cartridges take up to 1000 years to decompose and the lifespan of ink cartridges can be optimised by reusing and recycling them as many times as possible. Please feel free to collect as many empty inkjet cartridges as you can through friends and family and send them in to the school office for us to send off in the special collection boxes. Please note that the company are not able to accept photocopy toner or laserjet cartridges.

The more we collect, the more we help the environment and the more funds we raise.

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### **Admin Role**

Our Amazing Mrs Jefferson has been doing an incredible job managing all of the administrative demands of both schools whilst the schools have been mainly located on one site. She has been our multi-tasking Queen, but now that our reinstatement work has started we want to ensure that we are fully prepared for our return to the Fylingdales site. With this in mind, we will be recruiting a new Administrative Assistant to work in the Federation. This is an exciting opportunity to join our Federation family, so if you know anyone who could join Mrs Jefferson as the welcoming face of the schools, then please signpost them to the job specification which can be found on the North Yorkshire County Council website or via the link below.

[Click here to access the job advert on the NYCC site.](#)

### **School Meals**

Please see below the school lunch menu for week commencing 17<sup>th</sup> January 2022.

	<b>Main Meal</b>	<b>Dessert</b>
Monday	Chicken korma and rice	Chocolate cornflake crispie
Tuesday	Creamy mac and cheese	Fresh fruit salad
Wednesday	Roast chicken and stuffing with vegetables	Shortbread
Thursday	Pasta bolognaise	Sponge pudding
Friday	Battered fish and chips	Carrot cake

Jacket potatoes are available as an alternative each day.

### **Online Safety Guides**

We are aware that lots of children will have received new phones, tablets and electronic devices at Christmas. It is really important that all of these new devices have the appropriate parental controls in place, but we are aware that it is not always easy to find the settings for these. We thought that it would be useful to send out some really user friendly guides for different types of devices including both Apple and Android guides. If you would like any further guidance or support in relation to online safety, please do not hesitate to contact us.

[Click Here for National Online Safety Guides for setting parental filters.](#)

### **Dates for the Diary**

*Unfortunately, due to the current situation across the district with Covid, our inter school sporting events are being cancelled for this half term. We are also limiting any events this half term in order to keep our community as safe as possible. We hope to resume a fuller schedule of events later in the year.*

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<b>Date</b>	<b>Event</b>	<b>Details</b>
Wednesday 2 <sup>nd</sup> February	Solve It Group	2.15pm. This is our Parent forum group meeting. In order to manage our covid safety, we will hold this meeting via zoom. We appreciate this is more challenging than a face to face meeting but we hope that we can return to face to face meetings in Spring 2.
Tuesday 8 <sup>th</sup> February	Internet Safety Day	Classes will all be doing a range of activities linked to Online safety linked to the theme 'All fun and Games'
Wednesday 16 <sup>th</sup> February	KS2 York Visit	Key Stage 2 will be visiting York for the day, throughout the day they will be visiting York Minster and York Chocolate Story. Further details will be sent home shortly.
<b>Friday 18<sup>th</sup> February</b>	Close for February half term	
Monday 28 <sup>th</sup> February	Back to school	
Tuesday 8 <sup>th</sup> March	Fylingdales Parent Consultation Evening	More details to follow
Wednesday 9 <sup>th</sup> March	Hawsker Parent Consultation Evening	More details to follow

I hope that you all stay fit and well and have a wonderful weekend in this unseasonably mild weather.

Best wishes

*Helen Thompson*

Mrs Helen Thompson

Executive Headteacher