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Dear Families,

**Weekly Flood Update**

We are starting to see more significant changes on site now and it has been lovely to see the start of the flooring works this week. After a few initial teething problems, we are pleased to report that all of the floors have now been levelled and the screed stage of the work is all completed. Carpet tiles and specialist vinyl will be going down over the next few days and the contractors will be working throughout the weekend to try to bring forward their completion date. The decorators are still scheduled to start works on Friday 18<sup>th</sup> February. The lead contractor reports that they are currently on track with their programme of works and we are in regular contact with all of the different contractors to ensure that issues are swiftly addressed. We are still awaiting dates for the installation of the toilets, but all of the costings have been approved and we hope to have the plans through within the next few days. Things are definitely moving in the right direction and we will keep pushing to get the works completed as quickly as possible.

**Welcome to our new Admin Assistant**

We are delighted to say that we had a really successful recruitment process for the new Federation Admin Assistant and we were fortunate to have a very strong field of candidates. We had an outstanding group of pupils from Oak Class who formed our pupil panel and they made really insightful contributions to the process. We are delighted to announce that Mrs Glasby was successfully appointed and will be joining the Federation family in the coming weeks. I am sure that you will all join me in congratulating Mrs Glasby and you will all give her a very warm welcome.

**Whitby Library**



We would like to thank Adele Duffield, from Whitby Library, who has continued to support our school. Adele had another wonderful story session with Birch class last week and we look forward to seeing more liaison with our local library service. Explorer and Acorns completed some art work during their session with Adele and this is now in pride of place within Whitby Library. Birch class have sent some chocolate themed work down to the library to be displayed in the near future and Adventurer and Investigator class have enjoyed a session with Adele today.

**Fish Box Coffee Morning**

Thank you to all of the families who supported the Victorian Weekend coffee morning at the Fish Box in Robin Hood's Bay. The event raised an amazing £125 and this will be used to buy some new resources for the children. We will talk to our amazing School Councillors to help us to decide what they would like to purchase with this generous donation.

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### **Robin Hood's Bay Guides**

Calling all girls who are aged 10 or above! Cath Charter is running the local Guides group and they are looking for new members. The group runs from 7.15pm – 8.45pm every Tuesday evening in Fylingthorpe Methodist Church Hall. Please feel free to turn up on Tuesday. If you would like any further information please pop in to the school office for Cath's number, as she has said we have her permission to give this out to any new members. Further details can also be found at [www.girlguiding.org.uk](http://www.girlguiding.org.uk)

### **Sirius Climate Change Grant Success**

We are delighted to say that we have just received confirmation that we have been successful in our bid for £5,000 for each school through the Sirius Minerals Foundation Climate Change Grant scheme. The funding will provide an outdoor shelter for eco school activities at the Hawsker site and funding for a range of Eco Super Hero outdoor learning activities at Fylingdales. The funding will help us to develop a range of opportunities for the children to learn about the impact of climate change on the beaches, forest and moorland in our surrounding area. We have already started the process of applying for funding from other sources to install an outdoor shelter at the Fylingdales site as well. This will be an exciting project for both schools and will provide a wealth of engaging and creative learning opportunities.

### **Children's Mental Health Week**

Next week it is the National Children's mental health week. The theme of this year's Children's Mental Health Week is Growing Together.

Growing Together is about growing emotionally and finding ways to help each other grow. Challenges and setbacks can help us to grow and adapt and trying new things can help us to move beyond our comfort zone into a new realm of possibility and potential. However, emotional growth is often a gradual process that happens over time, and sometimes we might feel a bit 'stuck'. Our children have all shown incredible resilience in recent months and all of the classes will be completing a range of activities next week linked to this year's theme. Look out for information on Class Dojo / Facebook.

### **Internet Safety Day – 8<sup>th</sup> February 2021**

Safer Internet Day 2022 will also be celebrated on 8th February with the theme 'All fun and games? Exploring respect and relationships online'.

From gaming and chat, to streaming and video, young people are shaping the interactive entertainment spaces they are a part of. Safer Internet Day 2022 celebrates young people's role in creating a safer internet, whether that is whilst gaming and creating content, or interacting with their friends and peers. All classes will be undertaking a range of different activities linked to this year's theme and we will send materials to support parents as well.

### **Mother's Day**

Mothering Sunday is always a really special day where we like to make sure that all of our wonderful Mums are pampered. The Friends of Fylingdales and Friends of Hawsker School have some Mothering Sunday gifts which can be purchased on Parent Pay at a cost of £5. As well as ensuring that our Mum's have a lovely day, this is a lovely way to support our newly formed FRIENDS groups. The gifts will all be brought home by the children on March 25<sup>th</sup>.

### Solve-It Group

Unfortunately, we did not have anyone at the planned Zoom meeting this week. We appreciate that remote meetings are not ideal and we also feel that this is an indication that after school meetings will be preferable for the majority of parents within our two communities. Until we are back at Fylingdales, we will amend our schedule so that we hold after school sessions for the Solve-it Group meetings. This will mean that we are able to meet in person, as we can use the classroom spaces after school.

### School Meals

The menu for next week will be as follows

	Main Meal	Please note that a choice of jacket potato is offered as an alternative on a daily basis (while stocks last).  Desserts will vary daily as these are prepared at Eskdale School and transported daily.
Monday	Chicken Curry & Rice	
Tuesday	Mac & Cheese	
Wednesday	Roast Chicken & Roast Potatoes	
Thursday	Nacho Beef Bake	
Friday	Fish and Chips	

### Dates for the Diary

<u>Date</u>	<u>Event</u>	<u>Details</u>
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 Visit to York	KS2 across the federation will be visiting York, going to York Chocolate Story and also York Minster. School uniform must be worn for this visit and also a packed lunch is needed.
<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 have a wonderful weekend.

Best wishes

*Helen Thompson*

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Executive Headteacher