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Letter 32

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Dear Parents/Guardian,

AFTER HALF TERM AT SCHOOL

Collective Worship theme: Leaders - Parables

Monday 5th June	School reopens after half term 3.30pm Cricket club	<u>Weekly Attendance</u> <u>22nd May - 25th May</u> Class 1 96.9% Class 2 97.2% Class 3 95.7% Class 4 97.2% Highest Attendance Well done to: classes 2 & 4 getting 97.2% School attendance total for the week 96.7%
Tuesday 6th June	Keyboard lessons 2.00pm Clive Todd Collective worship	
Wednesday 7th June	Year 5/6 Kiwk Cricket competition 2.00pm Hayley Liversidge (Northallerton Methodist Church) to lead collective worship. 3.30pm Fun French club	
Thursday 8th June	Class and group photos Brass lessons	
Friday 9th June		
Saturday 10th June	School summer fair 11.00am to 2.00pm	

Please may I remind you to send a letter or email to school as soon as your child has returned to school, dated, explaining their absence for us to keep as a record at school.

SCHOOL NOTICES

Use of Social Media Sites-Facebook

Please do not be offended if you request to be 'friends' with a member of staff on Facebook and they ignore you. This is because the Local Authority strongly discourages the use of Facebook as a means for communication between parents, past pupils and staff. Facebook is a fantastic way of keeping in touch with people, sharing news etc. but over the last few weeks, I have been made aware of a variety of incidents of inappropriate use of Facebook by a small number of parents, particularly where other children have been criticised. Use of Facebook for this purpose only upsets other families, entices other people to correspond and is not appropriate. We have always had a clear 'open door' policy where we encourage you to discuss concerns with the class teacher and have a Local Authority Complaints Policy (on the school website), should it be needed, which involves the Governors.

I am therefore sharing the following, which is from the Local Authority Legal Services regarding the use of social media.

Parents of children in North Yorkshire schools are increasingly using social networking sites such as Facebook to talk to their friends. Sometimes parents have used these sites to criticise or make inappropriate comments about



children, schools or individual teachers. Making defamatory comments on the internet has exactly the same serious legal consequences as if they are made directly to someone else. Legal action can be taken against the person who has made the online comment. Similarly threats of violence can lead to criminal proceedings under the Malicious Communications Act 1988. If you have any concerns about anything which happens in school please speak to your child's class teacher or the Headteacher who will do their best to resolve things. If you are still unhappy we have a complaints procedure which will ensure that your concerns are investigated thoroughly and appropriate action taken.

Year 5/6 Tennis Competition

Well done to our fourteen children who took part in the small school cluster tennis competition yesterday. They had a great time and enjoyed playing some games with children from other schools, although they did say it was very hot! The young leaders were also praised for their outstanding leadership at the competition, helping with scoring, umpiring and presenting medals. Well done to everyone for their excellent behaviour and team spirit.

Bags to School - Great North Air Ambulance

Thank you to all those people who had a clear out and brought bags full of clothes for the air ambulance. The bags will be weighed and money donated to school.

Goodbye Miss Sanders

Today we say goodbye to Miss Sanders who has been doing her second year placement with class 4. The children have loved having her teach and she is already demonstrating what an excellent teacher she is. Miss Sanders will be returning next year to do her final placement with us.

FASS -REMINDER

FASS SUMMER FAIR

The summer fair will soon be upon us - the Saturday after the first week back - 10th June. We would be very grateful for donations of Bric-a-Brac, books, plants and cakes as soon as we come back after half term. We are desperately in need of empty wine bottles with screw top lids please and full bottles too for an excellent game we had last time. Come to the fair to find out more!

Volunteers for the Fair

We are urgently in need of volunteers to help man the stalls at the fair. If you can help in any way please contact school and we can pass your details to the FASS team. Many thanks.

Coming Soon - Dates for your diary

11.00-2.00pm Saturday 10th June School Summer Fair

LOCAL EVENTS

Find the Fish!

New Life Baptist Church along with the Methodist Church and All Saints churches are organising an event during the half term holidays. They have installed some pictures of fish in the shops on Northallerton High Street. These fish are part of an ICHTHUS trail set up for the children to complete during their time off school.

The children have been given an answer sheet and must go around the high street finding the fish and answering the question which is with the fish. When the children have completed their sheets, they can claim a prize from any of the churches mentioned above or the town hall at certain times too. Closing date is 4pm Friday 2nd June.

OTHER ITEMS SENT HOME TONIGHT

Football letter years 2-6

Primary times magazine

Impact on Morton on Swale and Ainderby leaflet regarding Leeming plans

Churches together fish score card

KS2 Quadkids for some children

We hope you have a lovely May half term holiday and the sun continues to shine!

Yours sincerely



Mrs F. Sharp
Headteacher