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**Letter 6**

**Friday 13<sup>th</sup> October 2017**

Dear Parents/Guardian,

**NEXT WEEK AT SCHOOL**

**Collective Worship theme: Harvest**

<b>Sunday 15<sup>th</sup> October</b>	7.30pm FASS pub quiz at The Old Royal George Inn Morton on Swale	<b>Weekly Attendance</b> <b>9<sup>th</sup> Oct - 13<sup>th</sup> Oct</b> Class 1 96.3% Class 2 95.8% Class 3 98.4% Class 4 96.1% <b>Highest Attendance</b> Well done to: Class 3 School attendance total for the week 96.6%
<b>Monday 16<sup>th</sup> October</b>	12.30 - 1pm CFL club 1.00pm Adam Scaife sports in school all afternoon Year 1 hearing checks 3.30 - 4.30pm multi skills after school club 7.00pm Governor meeting	
<b>Tuesday 17<sup>th</sup> October</b>	Class 3 Squash session week 3 3.30pm-5.00pm FASS Boden clothes evening 7.00pm-9.00pm FASS Boden clothes evening	
<b>Wednesday 18<sup>th</sup> October</b>	Class 3 visit to Bedale Squash Club Keyboard lessons 3.30pm Fun French club in the preschool classroom	
<b>Thursday 19<sup>th</sup> October</b>	BAGS TO SCHOOL COLLECTION Brass lessons 2.00pm Harvest service	
<b>Friday 20<sup>th</sup> October</b>	Break up for half term	
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**

**Staff Leaving** - Sadly we are losing two members of staff on Friday 20<sup>th</sup> October. Mrs Lynne Ingram who has been with us just over 7 years supporting the class teacher and children in class 1, is leaving to spend more time supporting her family. Julie Sharrocks who has been doing two afternoons of finance in the office is also leaving to focus on her morning role due to the difficult demands of trying to work in two schools. We will miss them both but wish them the very best and I am sure they will both keep in contact.

**Reading at Home** - Tonight I have sent some information home regarding paired reading as we cannot stress enough the importance of reading and sharing books with your child, even if they are confident readers. Staff work exceptionally hard to teach letter sounds and key words, inference skills etc. but as part of our partnership with you as parents, we need you to continue this at home. It has been proven by various studies that those children who read regularly at home make greater progress. Please read the information about supporting your child when reading together. If your child is a confident reader, it is also important to discuss what they have read to see if they have



understood the text. Children in all year groups do reading assessments which are all about seeing how well the text has been understood, not just reading the words. Our aim is that all children can read fluently with expression showing a good understanding for what they have read. After half term, children who read **three times or more at home** will get their name put in a box. On a Friday we will draw a name and that child will win a book. It is very important therefore to fill in their home/school contact books to show when they have read.

**School Phone Next Week** -Next week staff in the office are doing some training on our new home school communication service school comms. This will mean the phone line is busy for up to an hour. If you need to get an URGENT message to us, please call the school mobile number 07706 023722 or send us an email.

**Harvest Service 2.00pm Thursday 19<sup>th</sup> October** -This takes place in St Helen's Church in Ainderby Steeple. If you are able to walk with us to the harvest service, we would be grateful for any help accompanying our youngest children to church. We will be leaving school at 1.30pm for a 2.00pm start. If the weather is particularly bad and raining, we will have the Harvest service in the school hall. We will send a text notifying you of any changes by 12.00pm. Please presume it is in church unless you hear otherwise. There will be a collection at the end of the service which will be shared between St Helen's Church and the new school charity. If you are attending, you may take your child at the end of the service but please inform the class teacher so we know where your child is. School will be open to collect bags.

**Harvest Collection-REMINDER** -Please send in the water drops covered in coins for our harvest collection in aid of WaterAid by Thursday 19<sup>th</sup> October please.

**School Communication** -We now have 22 parents signed up to gateway but need more please. There will be a prize for the 50<sup>th</sup> person to download the app! Please download the school gateway app if you have a smart phone so that it does not cost school 6.5p for each text we send. 10 x texts 65p, 100 texts £6.50... it all adds up. Instructions for a smart phone: App store - School Gateway - download - New user - Add email and phone number - Request pin - input pin - You are ready with a private communication link to school. Please call into the office if there are any problems.

## **SPORTS NEWS**

**Tag Rugby** - Well done to the tag rugby team. Sarah said, "It was the best rugby our school has ever played. We played 6 games, scored lots of tries and really enjoyed it." The team played 6 games, won 3, drew 1 and lost 2. They managed 17 tries which is fantastic!

## **FASS**

**Fundraising Pub Quiz - THIS SUNDAY** - Do you like a good pub quiz? Keep Sunday evening 15<sup>th</sup> October free for a FASS pub quiz to be held at The Old Royal George Inn in Morton on Swale from 7.30pm. Light supper will be included as well as a raffle.

**Boden Clothes** - Tuesday 17<sup>th</sup> October come to school and view the Boden clothes and even try them on. A percentage of all orders placed raises money for school. 20% off plus free delivery and returns.

**Great North Air Ambulance Bag Collection** - Are you having a clear out at home? Please save things for the Air Ambulance bag collection 9.30am **Thursday 19<sup>th</sup> October**. PLEASE ONLY BRING BAGS THAT MORNING. We are still awaiting bags so please use bin bags in the meantime.

## **OTHER ITEMS SENT HOME TONIGHT**

Paired reading information sheet  
Yorkshire attractions booklet  
Sarah greens home bred pork and lamb leaflet  
Years 3 - 6 cross country competition  
Selected pupils local visits rolling programme consents  
Selected pupils consents for image photography  
Selected pupils internet permission forms  
Great North Air Ambulance service leaflet

THIS WEEKS LETTER HAS BEEN EMAILED OUT TO ALL PARENTS AS WELL AS A HARD COPY. VERY SOON WE WILL STOP DOING PAPER COPIES AND ONLY SEND AN EMAIL SO PLEASE ENSURE YOU ARE RECEIVING THE EMAIL.

Yours sincerely

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