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School
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Metacognition Morning

Part of our school development aims this year is to enable the children to think even more critically about their own learning. Metacognition literally means 'learning about learning' and it is thought that children become more successful in school by being given the tools to reflect upon what, how and why they have learned something new. You are invited to come into school next Thursday morning to see this learning in action. We ran a similar session last year which was based around developing a growth mindset; an approach which sits alongside metacognition and is promoted through the taught sessions in school. Hopefully, you will see some differences and progression from the session you attended previously. There will be a letter coming home with further details about this tomorrow. Like last year, we are planning to run different skills sessions and you can preference which of these you would be interested in attending as a family. If you are unable to attend your child will still take part in these sessions with their peer groups as part of the morning. The session will start at 9.00am after registration and should be finished by 10.30am. Hope to see you there!



The Healthy Choices Programme is commissioned by North Yorkshire Public Health Team. It offers a free and confidential 12 week programme to fit around your family to support children and young people achieve and maintain a healthy weight. The programme is designed to be fun and interactive, whilst helping families to identify small, realistic and sustainable changes to diet and levels of physical activity.

If you are interested or would like further information please contact:

Bryony Smith: 01609 536418 or

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Our PSHE theme for the term is '**Keeping Ourselves Healthy**' and all children will be learning about diet, fitness and well-being through weekly sessions. We are also planning to take part in The Daily Mile; a fifteen minute daily opportunity for children to run outside in the fresh air with the aim of improving physical, emotional and social health and well-being.

Good Work Assembly



Congratulations to our 12 nominees who shared their work with the school and parents during assembly time before half term. There were a wealth of achievements to share linked to excellent artwork, creative science, handwriting and positive attitudes to homework. Well done to: Neptune- *Leah and Hayley*, Saturn- *Dylan and Faith*, Jupiter- *Aaron and Chloe*, Mars- *Szymon and Gloria*, Earth- *Edward and Summer*, Venus- *Evelyn and Joshua*.

Parent Survey

Thank you for all of the responses received. Results will be available on the website this week along with responses to your suggestions. We are in the process of launching online Maths homework through 'My Maths'. We hope you will find this a useful resource to further support your child's learning at home.



Road Safety

The safety of children on Thomas Street was a concern raised through the parent questionnaires before half term. I agree that this is a real worry with the frequent occurrence of near misses in the street and surrounding areas. Our two road safety officers, Tegan and Jessica will be raising awareness and promoting positive road habits by creating safe crossing routes on Mondays and Wednesdays before and after school. Mrs Hall and the children have kindly offered to give up their own time to do this over the next six weeks; and we will evaluate after then to see the impact of this approach.

It is a small minority of parents who continue to use Thomas Street as a drop off point and we ask you to consider the safety of the children when bringing your vehicle into the street. It is an offence to obstruct the pavement, park on the yellow zigzags and to block the entrance to school and this becomes unavoidable if there is high traffic in the road. We appreciate your thought and consideration in regard to this matter.

Book Amnesty

We have noticed we appear to be short of reading books in certain colours and would appreciate everyone having a good look at home to see if you have any old titles lurking under beds, sofas or on bookcases. All books can be returned into school with no questions asked! Thank you.

World Book Day

We will not be dressing up for World Book Day after the effort placed into the fantastic costume creations for Roald Dahl day earlier this year. However, the children will be having a book themed day in school and will be creating story sacks for their classrooms and the school library based around different book themes. This year marks the 20th World Book Day.

Parents Reading

Our monthly parents reading session is taking place tomorrow from 2.40- 3.10pm. If you are free, why not come along for story time and reading activities in your child's classroom.



Important Dates for your Diary

Tuesday 28th February	Parent reading session- 2.40 – 3.10pm
Thursday 2nd March	World Book Day
Friday 3rd March	Mars class open morning 9.00- 10.00
Monday 6th March	Healthy Child Team, Weight and Height- Year 6
Thursday 9th March	Metacognition Parent Open morning.
Friday 10th March	Good work assembly
Wednesday 15th March	FoBBS Mother's Day craft event- 3.10- 4.30pm
Thursday 16th- Monday 20th March	School book fair- after school in hall
Thursday 16th March	Year 5 Stem Fair- Barlby High
Friday 17th March	Earth class open morning 9.00- 10.00am
Thursday 23rd March	Parents' evening
Friday 24th March	Reading Festival at Selby Abbey
Friday 24th March	Good work assembly at 2.40pm- 3.10pm
Friday 24th March	Red Nose Day
Friday 31st March	Venus class open morning 9.00- 10.00am
Thursday 6th April	Key Stage One library visit
Friday 7th April	Key Stage Two library visit
Friday 7th April	Good work assembly
Friday 7th April	School closes for Easter holidays
Tuesday 25th April	School opens

Children's Heart Surgery

Thank you for the donations received. We raised £80 in total which will go towards supporting the work of this wonderful charity.

Red Nose Day



Friday 24th March: This will be a non-uniform day in order to raise funds for the charity.

