

19th April 2016.

Dear Parents and Carers,

Thank you for bearing with us during the start of this term. We appreciate your patience while we try to work through things in the office. In addition, the children have all come back into school after the Easter holidays eager to learn and full of enthusiasm which is great to see.

Attendance figures

TARGET SET	W/e 15.04.2016	This Year
96.5%	98.6%	94.6 %

Assessments

It is that time of year when staff have to carry out the statutory assessments on children. For Year 6 the tests will be taken in the week commencing 9th May. Year 2 assessments will be administered during the month of May. The Year 1 phonics assessment will be carried out during the week commencing 13th June.

Illness

Just to make you aware, Tobias in Year 5 has been very poorly in the holidays with viral meningitis. He is making a good recovery now and we look forward to him returning to school in the near future.

Van needed!

Has anybody got enough room in a van to dispose of some old PE benches that are damaged? Please get in touch with Mrs. Barber if you are able to help. Thank you!

Work in Swallow Class outdoor area

Our lottery funded project is due to start on Monday 25th April. We are looking forward to having the play area transformed for the children in readiness for our outdoor play in the Summer term. Due to the nature of the work that area will be closed to parents and children during next week and Swallow class will need to line up on the playground in the morning alongside the other classes. They will line up between Miss. Straw and Mrs. Robson's classes as they do at playtime. Please stand with your children in the main playground until the bell rings and Miss. Clarkson will come through to the main playground to collect the class. As always there will be a member of staff in the playground before the bell goes.

Extension project to the school

We are still waiting to hear whether a bid for extra funding will be successful with the local authority. The money raised before I started at Fylingdales School is set aside in an account for the build, so we hope to be successful in our bid to start making the build a reality. I am currently looking into other grants that we could apply to for additional funding. If anybody has any experience of this and is able to help in any way, please get in touch with Mrs. Barber. We would love to see this project becoming a reality in the near future.

Recorders

Our recorder group will begin again on Wednesday 20th April (tomorrow). Please ensure all recorders and books are in school.

P.T.O

Choir

Choir club will resume on Thursday 28th April. I know there are some children who would like to join the choir. If your child would like to come too, please fill in the form below. The club runs after school on Thursday evenings from 3.15pm- 4.00 pm.

Tour de Yorkshire

To celebrate the Tour de Yorkshire passing through our village again this year, we would like to have a special "Tour de Yorkshire" lunch followed by our own 'mini tour'. We are hoping to hold this event on Friday 29th April in the afternoon at 1.00 p.m. with a ride along the railway track to the Cricket Field. Any children who are competent riders will have the opportunity to cycle further with Miss. Straw towards Boggle Hole. The bike ride afternoon will be dependent on the conditions of the cinder track and an assessment of the route will be made in the days leading up to the event. Swallow class will be doing their own mini tour within the playground with a course being set up unless you feel they are competent to ride independently to the cricket field. Please indicate on the slip below to show which distance your child is suited to. Please note, a decision could be made to cancel the event if the route is not dry and safe for the children to ride. You will be informed via text message before Friday 29th April.

Children are invited to bring their bike or scooter in on that day and **must have a helmet**. We have taken advice from North Yorkshire County Council and for all children to be able to take part their bike must be safe with spokes all attached correctly and chains correctly positioned. We will check the bikes during the morning, so if any appear unsafe or if children do not have a helmet, they will have to remain in school. Another requirement for safety is that we have additional adult support. Please could you get in touch if you are able to volunteer on that afternoon to walk or cycle with the children. Without extra adult support we will not be able to hold the event and we would like to ensure that this event is enjoyable and memorable for the children. Any children without bikes and scooters will be able to walk along the route with everybody so that everyone is able to take part.

If any children would like to make bunting at home in Tour de Yorkshire colours and send it in to decorate the hall for our special lunch that day, this would be gratefully received.

Please could you complete the form **attached** and send it back to school before Tuesday 26th April so that we can plan effectively for the event.

Yours Sincerely

Mrs C Barber
Headteacher

Child's Name: _____

Class: _____

My child would like to attend choir club on Thursday afternoon's starting from Thursday 28th April.

Signed: _____ Date: _____

Tour de Yorkshire Bike ride permission slip.

Childs name: _____ Class: _____

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My child will be bringing a bike /scooter/ will walk.
Please delete as appropriate:

My child will ride the further route to Boggle Hole. / My child will ride to the cricket field. / My child will do the playground course set up.

I understand that they must wear a helmet with their bike/ scooter to take part.

Names of any adults able to support on the day: _____

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