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Dear Parents/Carers,

Welcome back! We hope that you've had an enjoyable holiday and a restful break.

Phonics Screening

First of all, we would like to say how very proud we have been of all the children in Year 1 as they completed their Phonics screening this week. The children have returned to school focused and ready to work, and have done their very best, which is all that we can ask. Well done to everyone concerned. As you are aware, the last of the official assessments this academic year will be for the children in Year 4, who will complete their Multiplication Tables check towards the end of June. This is a government assessment to check knowledge of times tables.

Entrance Building Work

On a totally different note, thank you for your patience earlier this week as we set off with our temporary entrance. This work is the final phase and is a rebuild of our front entrance, with added office and meeting room space. As you can see, quite a bit of building work was completed during the holidays and the foundations of the new extension to the side are now going in.

Parents can access the office window from the pedestrian walkway and Mrs Marsh, Mrs Mathewson and Mrs Muff are available as usual for any questions or requests. For the immediate future, however, the office will be closed briefly on Tuesday mornings for staff training between 10.30am and 11.45am. The phone lines will be manned as usual, so hopefully this will not cause any inconvenience for parents. Should there be an emergency, you will of course be able to contact school, but please could we ask that you try to avoid calling at this time for general enquiries.

Curriculum Visits

There have been some fabulous curriculum visits this week. The children in Year 2 had a fantastic time in Filey, and came back tired and happy from all their fun there. The Reception children equally had an extremely good time at the Yorkshire Wildlife Park on Wednesday, where they saw all sorts of different animals and came back full of tales about them. Year 6 went out in the minibuses to visit the synagogue as part of their RE curriculum, which they found very interesting and thought-provoking. It is great that we can finally plan exciting days out to build on the children's learning with real-life experiences. Thank you also to the staff and volunteers involved for their time and efforts in making all these trips happen.

Opal – Outdoor Play and Learning

Next week, look out for a letter explaining more about our work to develop playtimes at school. You will also be sent a link to a parent survey which we would be very grateful if you could complete. Some of our OPAL working party will be in the playground at the start and end of the day next Thursday armed with iPads so you can also complete the survey then.

Monkey Pox

Cases of Monkey Pox have been in the news recently. New guidance states that "if you have been diagnosed with monkeypox and you have been advised to self-isolate at home by your doctor, you should not go to work, school or public areas." Please don't be alarmed by this guidance – it is the same for many illnesses.

As always, thank you for all your help and support with everything this week. We hope that you have a lovely weekend and we look forward to seeing you next week.

Yours sincerely,

Fiona Meer and Beth Medhurst (Co-Headteachers)



Co-Headteachers
Mrs B. Medhurst & Mrs F. Meer



Our school is committed to safeguarding and promoting the wellbeing of all children and expects staff and volunteers to share this commitment.