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#### Small school, big heart

21st January 2022

Dear Parents,

A huge thank you to all our parents for the overwhelming amount of cake donations! The children loved choosing a cake at break time. We raised £127.00!! With the money, I have ordered some new balls for playtime, two new football goals, loom bands and crafts for the children.

Following the sad loss of Eddie Brown in Helperby, Deirdre Brown chose the church and our school to receive donations from his funeral. We plan to buy a summer house/den for the school field with these funds and have a commemorative plaque made in honour of Eddie.

#### Attendance

We are so pleased that schools have returned to more normality and we are enjoying all the learning the experiences we are able to offer the children including visitors and trips. It is now more important than ever that your child attends school every day (unless they are ill). Any missed days of learning impact pupils greatly and they can fall behind– we aim for at least 96% attendance. We urge you to ensure your child is in school on time and attends every day to get the best possible start. Any leave which is not illness/positive for Covid will be marked an unauthorised . Please find attached is our current attendance policy.

Your child's academic progress and attendance will be shown in an interim year pupil report in the coming weeks.

#### Facebook

We are now on Facebook (@BraffertonStCE). Please 'like' our page and share our updates. We will not show pictures of children on Facebook (I will request parent permission where this is the case). Class Dojo will also continue as our 'in school' platform to share updates.

#### Important statutory assessment dates

Across different year groups, the government have statutory assessments that have to be completed at school. The last two years, these have been cancelled or postponed. This year they are set to take place. Further information will follow to those pupils/parents who are involved this year. Below are key dates you need to be aware of:

Year 2 SATs-No set date but will take place in May 2022

Year 4 Multiplication tables check w/c 6th June (across a 2 week period)

Year 6 SATs Starting 9th May 2022 for 1 week

#### Antarctica Explorer

This week, we look forward to a 'real life' Antarctica explorer coming to visit school. The whole school will get to hear his stories, see the equipment he will bring and maybe try on some of it! Thank you to PTA for funding this experience.

Yours sincerely,











#### <u>Dates for your</u> <u>diary</u>

**Thursdays (**until 1/2 term)

Class 2 and 3 swimming at Thirsk pool

**Tuesdays (**until 1/2 term)

Class 2 Forest Schools

Friday 28th January

Antarctica Explorer- whole school workshop

#### Mon 7th Feb-Fri 11th Feb

Mental health and wellbeing week (lots of activities and fundraising to come organised by School Council)

#### Friday 18th February

Break up for half term (holiday club available

Mon 7th March

Mini medics – Class 2 and 3 First Aid training (linked to Science units)

Fri 18th March

Red Nose Day- wear red!

Fri 8th April

Easter service 2pm

House team of the week!

GREEN

# HEADTEACHER AWARDS This week we have been so impressed with... Helperbees Mollie. R for being so brave! Finn. C for his enthusiasm and engagement in singing in Spanish with Ms Laity and class 1. We are very proud of you Finn. Class 1 Archie. C for his amazing creativity this week including making his own dinosaur skeleton, brilliant block city and pattern making with marble painting . Class 2 Katrina for listening and acting upon feedback to produce high quality writing. Class 3 Mia for a fantastic effort in maths, showing resilience and a deeper understanding manipulating fractions. Kindness Inclusivity Community

### **St Peter's Brafferton PTA**

Please come and join the fun at the Oak Tree on Thursday evening 7pm (followed by the quiz at 8pm). The PTA would love to welcome you to their meeting for an overdue catch up and discussion about the year ahead and what fundraising events may be feasible. We'll be chatting about what's been raised and what it's afforded for school, what's on the ever evolving school wish list and how we can make our future events fun and successful. Every penny raised makes a huge difference for every child in school.

Come and have your say. It's not a huge commitment and you won't be landed with loads of jobs to do! We get together every few months to cover off what's in the pipeline for fundraising and are hoping that this year we can return to more normal events that tend to be focused around Easter, Summer and Christmas.

There's currently the following folk in our friendly bunch...

Charlotte. S (mum to Freya and Ralph); Charlotte. H (mum to Henry), Katie (mum to Eddy) ; Britta (mum to Sebby); Caroline (mum to Alfred and Annabel); Catt (mum to Zander); Lyndsey (mum to Polly and Wren); Polly (mum to Bel); Helen (mum to Austin, Emmerson and Bobbie) and Mrs Lott.

We hope to see you there!







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