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Dear Parents and Carers

Library books

Please can we ask that all school library books be returned to school before Monday July 9th. This will help us to ensure that all books are accounted for, before the summer break.

Dinner Money

Please ensure that your accounts are up to date and any arrears paid before July 16th. The school budget cannot afford to meet these costs. Please also ensure that any other outstanding balances are up to date before the end of term.

School Uniform

School uniform should be ordered via Parent Pay. Please log onto make your purchases. Uniform will then be sent home with your child or collected from the school office. Please indicate the size and quantity in the notes field. If you are ordering new uniform for September orders must be completed on Parent Pay before Friday 13th July to ensure delivery for September and orders after that date cannot be guaranteed to be available for September.

Water bottles

School water bottles are also available through Parent Pay. Please note that children should only bring a clear bottle into school and only water not juice.

Hats

As the warm weather continues every child in school should be bringing a hat into school in addition to sun cream being applied.

Year 6

Everyone will be aware that the fire at Sherburn High school this week has meant that the Y6 children have returned to their primary schools. This week we have been working very much on a day to day basis as the information

coming out of the High School has been limited. We have now had communication from the Head teacher at Sherburn High School and we are to work on the premise that the Y6 will be remaining with us. We will now be able to plan for the last weeks. A separate letter has gone to Y6 children today explaining in more detail.

Sponsored Obstacle

A reminder that sponsor money can be paid either by Parent Pay or in cash via the school offices. Please return sponsor forms to the school office. Remember to Gift Aid if you are able to. A very big thank you to those families who have already returned their forms and monies. **All** the money raised from the sponsored event will be used to buy more books for children across the school.

Miss Town's class Stocksbridge visit

Miss Town's class will be going on their second visit to Stocksbridge on Monday afternoon. Please ensure are suitably dressed including a hat and have adequate water and sun cream.

Food Bank Collection

Thanks to the generosity of parents and staff at the school, almost 100 kg of donations were made to the Selby and District Foodbank in December.

The Selby Foodbank expects, based on previous years, to see a rise in its usage during the summer holidays as children who are in receipt of free school meals obviously do not receive this meal during the holidays. We will therefore be collecting donations of food and toiletries in the run up to the summer holidays. They are currently in urgent need of the following:

- * long-life milk (semi-skimmed or full)
- * cartons of long-life juice
- * tinned "hot meats"
- * tinned cold meats

Other items you may wish to donate include toiletries, other jar or tinned foods, tea bags, pasta, rice and biscuits.

Donations can be brought to the main school office or the Early Years' office from Monday 9th July up to and including Monday 16th July.

All donations are very gratefully received.

School Meal Price Rises

From September 2018 we unfortunately are forced to increase the cost of a school meal. North Yorkshire County Caterers are increasing the cost they

charge the schools for a meal, this will now be based on the actual costs for the individual school. Not just an average charge across North Yorkshire, as has been previously applied. This has impacted more on primary schools rather than secondary schools. However we are an economical school and although we are seeing an increase many other primary schools are having to increase their school meals to a much higher rate.

So from September children in:

- Years 3-6 the cost of school meal is to be £2.35 per day.
- For Puddles children the cost is £2.10.
- Sunshines, Year One and Year Two will still receive a universal free meal
- Children in Raindrops have the cost of their food already included in the prices of their sessions.

Meet the Teacher

Reports will be issued to children on Friday 20th July and families will be notified at the same time of the classes/rooms/teachers for next year.

We are still intending to run Monday 23rd and Tuesday 24th as transition so children will be moving straight into their new classes on the Monday morning.

Then on Monday 23rd of July at 3:10pm there will be an opportunity for you to meet your child's new teacher. The meet the teacher event will run for about half an hour. We appreciate that if you have more than one child it is difficult, but staff will be around that afternoon for you to pop in and see staff even if you can't be at the full session for each child.

If you cannot make this session then the first parents' consultation evening of the year is fairly early on into the autumn term.

Yours truly
Miss K O'Donnell
Headteacher