



# GOATHLAND PRIMARY SCHOOL

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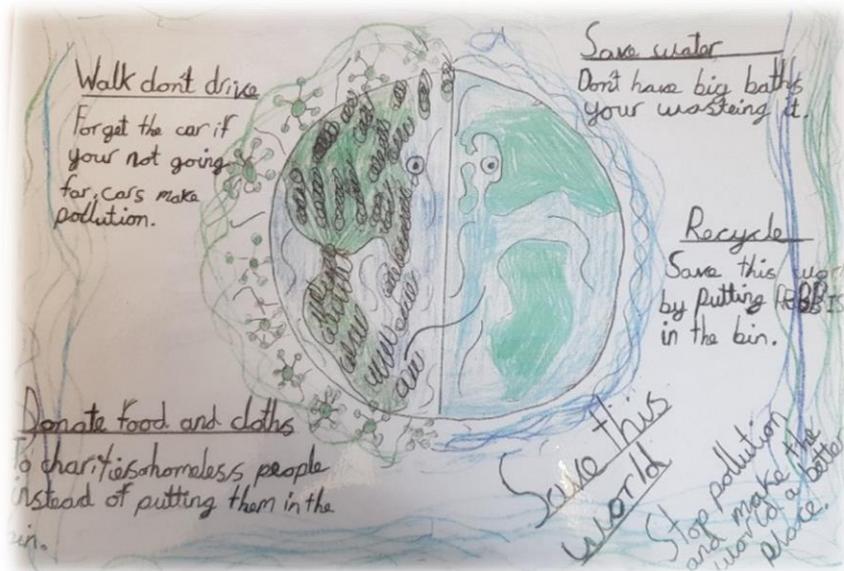
18<sup>th</sup> September 2020

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## Parents,

As part of our 'return to school' PHSE and Literacy curriculum this term, the children have been reading Oliver Jeffers' book 'Here We Are'. The book invites the reader to think about the wonder of the natural world and how, as human beings, we should both look after the planet and each other.



The children have explored how the natural world changed during lockdown and how people appeared to notice and appreciate nature more. This led to us thinking about how we need to look after our environment and encourage other people to do the same. The children have made posters about local issues such as visitors leaving litter in Goathland and parking on the grass which we will be putting up around the village. That led to a discussion about wider issues including how society as a whole should improve the way it uses natural resources and treats our planet and who was in charge of this. Mrs Bordoli explained to the children that our Government make laws about the use of plastic, pollution, and other



## Diary Dates

5<sup>th</sup> October – Flu Immunisation

23<sup>rd</sup> October – Half Term

2<sup>nd</sup> November – Return to school



environmental issues, so the Government was “in charge”. It was decided that Base 2 should write to their local MP, Mr Goodwill about their individual environmental concerns. We are hoping (with fingers crossed) that Mr Goodwill will be kind enough to write a letter in response!

In Forest School this week the children thoroughly enjoyed learning how to use a flint & steel to light dry tinder. Once this was safely mastered they used their new skills to light small fires in the base of the Kelly Kettles and boiled water to make hot chocolate – the melted marshmallows on top were a particular hit! They also spent some time climbing trees and checking their dens had not been ‘invaded’ over the summer. Next week we are intending to use our fire pit for the first time, something the children are really looking forward to. Marshmallow may play a role again!

Please return via email your Forest School Permission Forms and complete the Childhood Immunisation register.

Newsletters will now be sent via email to help prevent the spread of Covid-19. All newsletters can also be found on our schools webpage at [www.goathland.n-yorks.sch.uk](http://www.goathland.n-yorks.sch.uk).

Kind regards,

*Mrs Isaac*

Headteacher