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Dear Parents

NEWSLETTER - Week 39

I am delighted to say our first week has been a great start to the new academic year. Everyone appears happy to be back in school and routines are being established in both classes.

Parent Meeting

We would like to invite you all to a special meeting immediately after school next **Monday 11 September from 3:15pm to 3:45pm** at which we will explain specific aspects of daily routines and expectations in both classes e.g. homework. We will also be able to answer any questions you may have at the start of the new school year.

Please indicate on the reply slip below if you are able to attend the meeting.

School Uniform and Sports Kit

May we remind you it is **essential** that you label every item of clothing, including footwear, clearly with your child's name. We have a small supply of second-hand uniform available to purchase at minimal cost.

Building work

We are very grateful to Adam Lonsdale for making our outdoor learning area for Base 1 more sheltered and to Angus Nicholson for new gate latches (to prevent sheep entering the site!) and repair work on our sports shed.

Base 1 – children are enjoying the introduction to our topic 'Journeys', based around the Julia Donaldson story 'What the Ladybird heard'. Many thanks to all who have brought in postcards of places you visited in the summer. We will be adding these to our display when looking at counties & continents.

Base 2 - our main topic in Base 2 this term is Rainforests. In Geography we will be finding out about the climate, flora and fauna, the resources within the rainforest and the importance of its conservation. Our science activities will be linked to this as we explore animal adaptation and evolution. In Literacy we will be looking at Mary Kingsley's descriptive writing and using this as a springboard into poetry, creative writing and newspaper reports. We will also be looking at paintings by the artist Henri Rousseau and using these to create our own 'animals in their habitats' pictures.

Maths will be on-going using the Focus Maths scheme which this half-term will cover; place value, addition and subtraction, fractions and measuring time. Alongside this we are going to be working hard on learning our times tables both within school and as homework – please do help with this as quick mental recall of number facts helps the children with both calculations and problem solving.

200 Club – this has been running for several years now and has greatly supported our School Fund, which goes to help pay for visits and transport that the children go on throughout the year. Sadly membership has diminished over recent times therefore we would be very grateful if all parents would help support this and spread the word among friends and family. If you need a 200 club application for new members please ask at the school office, any payments due may be brought into school.

Goathland Flower & Vegetable Show - thank you to all who participated in the show during the summer holidays. Congratulations to all the winners!

Newsletters – please note all newsletters can be found on our website for your reference.

Sports club

Thank you for your feedback. Our new Sports Club will take place on Tuesdays from 3:25-4:30 p.m. at the Village Hub. Children will be taken in staff cars to the Hub where Mrs Bennion will supervise and assist with coaching. We will start with Rugby and children will need to bring trainers and shin pads. We would like the children to wear football boots eventually when the conditions of the field necessitate, however everyone will start by wearing trainers. Please could pupils bring a re-sealable water bottle and a small towel as the club will take place even in inclement weather.

Please complete and return the permission slip below as soon as possible

P.E. Events – this academic year, due to increased funding, we intend to use our Sports Premium from the Government to provide transport to and from events. We may occasionally, however, ask for some assistance should the need arise. You are most welcome to come and support the children at any sporting event of fixture.

Base 2 Rugby Mega Fest – Base 2 will attend the annual Rugby Mega Fest at Whitby Rugby Club on Thursday 14 September. Mrs Bordoli will accompany the children and they will travel by minibus leaving school at 12:45pm returning in time for 3:15pm. Children will need to bring a waterproof coat, rugby/football boots if possible, trainers if not and a re-sealable water bottle. Please complete and return the permission slip below as soon as possible.

Events and dates for the coming year – please find attached a list of dates for the coming year. Please note these may be added to at some point in the future.

Yours sincerely

Mrs Bennion
Acting Headteacher

SPORTS CLUB

I give permission for my child/children..... to attend Sports Club at the Village Hub beginning on Tuesday 12 September and to be transported in staff cars to the Hub. I understand I must collect my child/children from the Hub at 4:30 p.m.

Signed.....Parent/Guardian Date

I understand that medical details will be taken from medical forms filled in and sent into school. If there are any changes to medical details, please inform the school on the reverse of this form.

Please return this form to school as soon as possible.

Base 2 Rugby Megafest – Thursday 14 September

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Signed.....Parent/Guardian Date.....

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Parent Meeting Monday 11 September

I am able/unable (please delete as appropriate) to attend the Parent Information Meeting on Monday 11 September at 3:15p.m.

Signed.....

Name (please print)