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**Message from Mrs Hird**

We are looking forward to seeing everyone back in school next week. The teachers will ensure there are lots of opportunities for your children to catch back up with their friends, whilst also re-establishing daily school routines. We will support all pupils to help them to feel settled and happy to be back in school.

Please remember to observe social distancing and wear a mask when dropping off/collecting children. If your child or anyone in your household has covid symptoms, please do not send your child to school and contact the NHS to book a test. The DfE have provided a guide for parents regarding the return to school, which can be found here: <https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/what-parents-and-carers-need-to-know-about-early-years-providers-schools-and-colleges-during-the-coronavirus-covid-19-outbreak/what-parents-need-to-know-about-early-years-providers-schools-and-colleges-during-covid-19>

Thank you for all your support during this lockdown period.

*Mrs Hird*

**Please see the enclosed Parent Information Sheet about returning to school.**

**News from the Classes**

All of the **Acorn** team have been extremely impressed with how well the class has embraced the issue of plastic pollution.  They have learnt an incredible amount about the problem in a short time and have really taken to heart this very serious issue.  This week we have seen the results of this fact finding in the form of some amazing pieces of persuasive writing.  We have had outstanding persuasive letters and posters and anyone reading them would be hard pressed not to adapt their behaviour and act on the suggestions the children have made.  We are proud not only of their literacy skills but also their awareness of the world and how precious it is.

World Book Day events have also been an exciting part of the week: the assembly with David Walliams being a highlight and the live World Book Day special - Bringing Reading to Life. Well done to everyone who took part in the book scavenger hunt.  Lots of great detective skills going on!

We are very proud of all our home and school learners this week and through lockdown. As such, we really feel it is impossible to single out anyone this week.  Well done everyone and well done grown-ups too.

The **Oaks** have continued to work hard on measuring or percentages, decimals and fractions within their maths work. In English, they have written the newspaper article that they have memorised plus planning the changes that they will make next week.

They have researched volcanoes from around the world and produced some fantastic presentations using their computing skills so well too.  Many have also completed their volcano models and have filmed the eruptions to share on Dojo.

For World Book Day, we have enjoyed some different texts during our afternoon reading sessions, tried to guess the masked reader and decorated potatoes as their favourite book characters.

The children at school have helped to organise the classroom ready to see you all on Monday.  We cannot wait to see you all!

**All children will receive the usual World Book Day Book Token when they return on Monday.**

**Spring Term Menu**

As all children are returning to school next week please find attached, again, the Spring Term Menu for your information (it will be Week 3). There are 3 weeks up to the Easter Holiday so total cost for dinners is £37.50.

**Clubs**

Breakfast club (“Early Birds”) will continue as usual from 8am every day with a range of fun activities. If you would like to book a place, please contact the school office. We will review our after-school club provision over the next three weeks and will confirm whether we are planning to reinstate these after the Easter break.

**Yorkshire Endeavour Academy Trust AGM – 23rd March**

Yorkshire Endeavour Academy Trust will be holding the Annual General Meeting (AGM) on 23rd March 2021 at 5.30pm. Details available on the Trust Website at

<https://www.yeat.co.uk/about-our-trust/governance/notice-of-annual-general-meeting-agm/>

or contact company Secretary, Sharon Markham via email [companysecretary@yeat.co.uk](mailto:companysecretary@yeat.co.uk)  for full details and how to join the meeting.

**Next Week**

**Monday** All children to return to school.

Music Lessons with Alix Lillie. **Please remember instruments.**

**Wednesday** **All pupils** **Outdoor learning**. Children can come to school dressed in appropriate clothing - lots of warm layers, with waterproofs, wellies and gloves.

**Thursday** **PE for** **all pupils**. Children to come in uniform.

Please make sure they have their PE kit in school, which should be left for Friday as well.

**Friday Dance for all pupils.** Children to come in uniform.