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Dear Parents,

Parents Evening

Please find a separate letter about Parents' Evening attached and return the slip as indicated.

Sharing Assembly

The juniors will be sharing their work with the rest of the school and any visitors who are able to join us, on Monday 5th March at 2.50pm. We hope you are able to make it.

Benchball Tournament

We were delighted to be able to take a group of year 3 and 4 pupils to Woldgate to participate in the above event. Ten schools from our cluster entered and the children had some very enjoyable matches. Although our team did not win their matches (they were playing year 4's from other schools), we were very pleased with their cheerfulness throughout the event and sporting attitudes. They all did very well. Thank you to Daniel, Lucie, Henry, Leo, Edward, Christopher, Alfie and William C for participating. Thanks also to the parents who helped with transport. The children were awarded their special certificates in assembly on Wednesday.

Trip to Ryedale Folk Museum

The pupils had a very enjoyable day at Ryedale Folk Museum on Monday. The juniors built a 'Cruck House' and investigated what it was like to live in a Crofter's cottage. They also looked at Tudor artefacts. The infants experienced the 'home life' of the Victorians. Thanks again to the 'Friends of Bishop Wilton School' for funding the transport for the trip.

'Trouvere'

The whole school had a visit from the medieval group based at Barley Hall in York. They shared genuine Tudor instruments with the pupils, led them in Tudor dances, explored Tudor toys and games and looked at period costumes. This was a very valuable educational opportunity for all the children. Many thanks to the Friends of Bishop Wilton school for funding this visit.

Gymnastics

On Tuesday afternoons until Easter, reception, year 1 and year 2 children will be doing a programme of gymnastics at Francis Scaife Sports Centre while the junior children continue with their swimming lessons. It would be greatly appreciated if the children were dressed in clothes they find 'easier' to get into and out of by themselves on P.E/sports day. This means knee socks rather than tights and skirts rather than pinafore dresses for girls. All children need to be wearing **shorts** for gymnastics on Tuesdays, not long trousers. Please ensure that everything is named so that anything that goes astray is easily retrieved. Thanks for your help with this.

Red Nose Day

The school will be selling red noses priced at £1.00 each. The children have made a number of suggestions through the listening box about how they might raise money for this event. Please watch out for further information about this.

Headteacher Surgery

As you may be aware I have been running a Headteacher Surgery (or drop in session) on Thursdays (3.00-5.00pm) since Summer Term 2006. This was in response to a concern expressed by one parent in questionnaires that the school was not very approachable to parents. Use of this facility has been poor, for example I have had only 3 parent visits during this time and 1 phone call. This would suggest that the vast majority of parents are finding other ways to express any concerns they have. I will still run the facility but will reduce my availability to 1 Thursday a month. The dates for the remainder of this academic year are:

Thursday 29th March

Thursday 26th April

Thursday 24th May

Thursday 7th June

Thursday 5th July

These dates will be placed in the school notice board. As always, if you have an urgent concern please telephone the school for an appointment. I will always try to find the earliest opportunity to meet with you.

Sickness Policy

A reminder that a child should not be in school for a period of 48 hours after they have vomited or had a bout of diarrhoea. This is to stop the virus being spread to other pupils and the staff. If a child is sick in the morning at breakfast time or during night, please do not send them to school.

Yours sincerely

Mrs A Halley