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Dear Parents / Guardians

Spring 2 – 2019 Information Overview

Welcome back to the second part of the spring term. A whole school focus for the half term will be finding out about key skills, which help us learn and the 5 British Values of **Democracy, Rule of Law, Individual Liberty, Mutual Respect and Tolerance**. The key learning skills that the children will be thinking about include - collaboration, independence, resilience, communication, leadership and enthusiasm. The skills will form part of our assemblies this half term.

Knowledge Organiser

All children have brought home their Knowledge Organiser for Spring 2. The Knowledge Organiser is designed in a child friendly format so that your child can access this knowledge. The Knowledge Organiser has also been uploaded to the school website – Curriculum, Knowledge Organisers and will be put in your child's theme book. Please do spend time going through this knowledge with your child. Please do not hesitate to speak to your child's class teacher if you require any further information regarding your child's learning.

Open Ended Homework

There has already been some fantastic open Ended Homework brought in to school in the first half of the spring term. Thank you so much for the time that has been spent by parents, grandparents and other family members completing this homework. The Open Ended Homework will continue during the second half of the spring term and we look forward to seeing some more wonderful work.

Homework and Reading

Please may I remind parents that the expectation is that every child should read at home at least twice a week and complete their homework every week. Homework includes: spellings, mathematics and Literacy. A more detailed overview of homework expectations can be found on the school website.

Clubs

Please may I remind all parents that after school clubs will re-start this week. Clubs will remain the same as last half term and all children attending last half term have automatically been placed on the registers for this half term. Please collect a club letter from the school office if your child wishes to join a club. Please do not hesitate to contact school if you require any further information regarding clubs.



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Winter Weather and School Closure

The winter weather is now upon us and with this comes the unpredictability of school being able to remain open during extreme weather conditions. We will always endeavour for school to remain open as we realise the great inconvenience school closure causes for parents. If there is a time, when school is forced to close this information will be posted on the following places

- 1 - Wakefield Council Website.
- 2 - The school website.
- 3 - Twitter
- 4 - Ridings FM broadcast.

Important Dates for the second half of the spring term

(A spring calendar was given out before the Christmas holidays and all dates for the year can be found on the school website.)

Thursday 7th March	Year 5 Educational Visit
Friday 15th March	Red Nose Day
Tuesday 19th March	Year 1 and 2 Educational Visit
Thursday 28th March	Foundation Stage Trip
Friday 29th March	School Art Gallery Open
Monday 1st April	Foundation Stage INSPIRE morning
Tuesday 2nd April	Year 3 INSPIRE morning
Wednesday 3rd April	Year 5 INSPIRE morning
Thursday 4th April	Year 1 INSPIRE morning
Friday 5th April	School breaks up for Easter holidays
Tuesday 23rd April	School Opens for the summer term

Thank you for your ongoing support.

Susan Harrison
Headteacher