

City Of York Council

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Dear Parent/Carer,

Well here we are again at the end of a term, a short but very busy term!

I know that many of our parents and carers are becoming increasingly concerned about the reliance that our children have on mobile phones and other technology. One of our governors will be looking into the viability of Fishergate joining the following campaign:

https://smartphonefreechildhood.co.uk/

I will send through more details when the governor has done the necessary research and fact-finding.

We recently had an email from a parent of children at Fulford School, who is the co-ordinator of used uniforms for the school. As we have children moving onto Fulford School in September, she wanted to ask if we could arrange a time for her to come to Fishergate to sell Fulford Uniform, and if we could make parents of children coming to Fulford aware of the availability of a stock of pre-used uniform. We intend to arrange a time and date for this to happen, probably in the second half of the summer term and will make sure that you get plenty of notice of the date once it has been decided.

In the meantime, a live copy of the stock they have available, with suggested prices, can be found on the school website here, along with the parent's details if you would like to purchase anything: <u>PTA - Fulford</u> <u>School</u>.

We know that some of our parents/carers really struggle with things that school find more difficult to help with as we can't go into the family home to support with things like routines, healthy eating, bedtimes, getting children to school and helping to manage more challenging behaviour in the home. If we had the money then I would definitely employ a parent support worker who could fill this gap. It is possible that we could apply for funding for this but we would need to put an application together. If you feel that you would benefit from this type of support or have been supported in this way in the past then we could really use your help. It would be great if we could have a few volunteers who would be able to work with me and one of our governors to complete the application. It would just be a case of sitting down together for an hour or so and sharing ideas. You would be handsomely rewarded with the highest quality biscuits and your contribution might really help another family out further down the line.

Safeguarding

If you have significant concerns for the welfare of a child, in addition to being able to contact Mrs Clarke, Ms Rees or Ms Solanki (Safeguarding Team) during school hours, you may wish to make direct contact with the <u>York Multi-Agency Safeguarding Hub (MASH)</u> on 01904 551900 option 3 or email: <u>mash@york.gov.uk</u>Outside office hours, at weekends and on public holidays, contact the Emergency Duty Team on: 0300 131 2131 email: <u>edt@northyorks.gov.uk</u>.









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The Spring Disco last Week hosted by Friends of Fishergate was a success raising £286.56. Friends would like to say a special thank you to the children for all their efforts sending in song requests and also to parents and carers who ensured the children had a great time by attending, helping out and providing resources.

The next event held by Friends will be a Table Top Sale on Saturday April 27th at school. They have already had a good response from the email sent out this week so if you would like to take a table to sell any of your unwanted items please let them know. Friends will also be asking for donations of cakes, plants and books nearer the time.

Finally, a quick line just to let you know that, as last year, we will be celebrating Science week in June and not in March as advertised. With World Book Day and Comic Relief this half term was just too busy!

Have a great holiday and Happy Easter!

Tina Clarke

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