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Working together to be happy; to flourish; to succeed through our Christian Values of perseverance, respect and trust.

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Dear families,

A huge thank you to all families who were able to join us for this term's parents' evening. Both evenings were incredibly well attended and there was such a positive buzz in the school. It was really enjoyable being able to share the children's successes with you. A big thank you also to our school governors for coming along to serve the delicious refreshments. As always, if you have any queries or questions you would like to discuss, please do not hesitate to do so.

In the classrooms this week

The Explorers are really stuck into their school topic. A huge map of the world is displayed on the classroom wall and this shows the different countries that the class are investigating. The children have been looking at different letters and food associated to the different countries. To visit these, an airport has been set up in the classroom. When I visited on Thursday, the Explorers had been on a great flight to Mini Monsters (via Scarborough College!)

Our Chair of Governors, Mrs Kelleman and I visited Pioneers earlier in the week to see them recreate the process of squeezing oranges and make juice. The children use lots of actions and pictures to retell cutting the orange, squeezing it and then drinking. They were also able to talk about the origin of the orange, making references to 'sunny Spain'. They had great smiles on their faces during the whole session.

The Adventurers were tackling partitioning using maths equipment when I visited this week. The children's confidence was great to see, as they approached large two digit numbers. What was also impressive was the quality of the presentation of the work that was produced. The children had real pride in showing their work. Keep it up, Adventurers!

Both Leaders and Discoverers enjoyed a 'Murderous Maths' event at Eskdale School this week. The event was based around a magic show that taught children maths concepts through tricks. These certainly amazed and astonished all children! Across North Yorkshire, March is 'maths month' and there are a range of activities that schools can take part in. On Sunday, there is also a North Yorkshire competition. It would be great to have lots of our children score on the leader board, so please do encourage this at home.

Well done everyone for a great week!

Medical

In line with North Yorkshire policy, we are only able to store and administer medication to children who have had it prescribed by a doctor. This should be in the original packaging from the GP. All prescribed medication must be given to the office, where a form will be given to you. No medication can be stored in classrooms, so please do not pass this to teaching staff.

If medication is not prescribed, we are not able to administer or store it in school.

Eskdale Festival

It was the turn of our musicians to take part in the Eskdale Festival this week. A huge congratulations to our children who represented Sleights superbly and did themselves very proud. Thank you too to all of the school families that have supported the children with many hours of practise and encouragement over the last few weeks. I know it has made a huge difference to them all – Go Team Sleights!

Height and Weight for Year 6 and Reception children



Due to an admin error (not related to the school), the children in Year 6 and Reception will have a second height and weight check in school on Thursday 21st March. Those families who opted out last time will remain the same for this re measure.

Eskmouth Scouts Family Bingo

All families are invited to the Eskmouth Scouts Family Bingo event on Saturday 13th April. Doors will open at 6.00pm and the event will take place at the Whitby Scout Hall.

Attendance update – 0.9% unauthorised absences due to family holidays

Whole school attendance so far this year:	95.2%	Target for whole school attendance this year:	96%
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Whole school attendance this week	Pioneers attendance this week	Adventurers attendance this week	Discoverers attendance this week	Leaders attendance this week
95.6%	95.6%	94.2%	96.3% 	96.1% 

Have a great weekend with your families,

Scott Grason
Headteacher