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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,

I cannot quite believe that this is the final newsletter of the spring term. Hasn't it just flown by? This start of the week was a special one for me, as the excellent staff team and children helped me celebrate a big birthday. Thank you to the whole staff and children for making the day a special one.

Coming home today is also a copy of our spring term review. I hope you enjoy reading about the great work of our school over the last few months. This simply wouldn't have been possible without the hard work, commitment and dedication of our whole school community working together. Thank you to everyone in Team Sleights!

Islamic Diversity Centre visit on Tuesday

We had a super today on Tuesday with visitors from the Islamic Diversity Centre. I was so pleased to see so many families join us for the workshops during the day. A large number of families have also shared their firm support for such activities and events in school. Exploring different cultures is essential in rural North Yorkshire and as a school, I firmly believe we have a duty to educate our children about the wider world.

From the workshops, we received entirely positive feedback from our families. I think the two examples below summarise the strength in feeling from those families who attended:

- *I enjoyed all of it! A fantastic presentation. Very clear, age appropriate and so much valuable information. It is so good to hear the many comparisons and similarities to our own faith and for children to hear this too.*
- *I was really impressed with the children. The class engaged with the workshop and asked really intelligent and interesting questions. I personally think it is so important to learn about other people, their faiths and way of life and this workshop definitely achieved this. Thank you!*

I had the pleasure of taking part in each workshop during the day. In every session, children showed nothing but respect for Islam and the visitors. Excellent questions were asked and fantastic behaviour seen. I was so impressed with what I saw.

Cool Milk – Milk in school update

This week, you should have received a copy of the 'Cool Milk' information. This is an online payment system for families to provide milk portions for their children whilst in school (if they wish). The scheme will begin on the 30th April. If you would like to register, please make sure this is done by **22nd April** in order to receive milk from the 30th. To register and pay for the milk, visit www.coolmilk.com or collect a paper application from Mrs Stubbs in the office.

Eskmouth Scouts Family Bingo

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

Dates of SATs

The SATs are national tests that all children sit in Year 2 and Year 6. Please do not book any appointments or holidays during these times:

- Year 2 SATs will take place **throughout May**.
- Year 6 SATs will take place between **Monday 13th May – Thursday 16th May**.

Sports fixtures

- Tuesday 30th April – (First day back) – Cricket for selected children in Discoverers.
- Thursday 2nd May – Cricket for selected children in Leaders.

Tempest Class Photographs – date for your diary

Class photographs will be taken in school on Tuesday 7th May.

Summer term clubs

I am pleased to share details of the summer term club offer today. Please return the reply slip below after the holidays if your child wishes to attend. Clubs will start on the first week back.

Mondays	Tuesdays	Wednesdays	Thursdays
Homework Club for all classes	Art Club for Leaders and Discoverers	Football for all classes (charge to Mr Gokool)	Sports Club for Discoverers and Leaders
	Gardening Club for all classes		
	Dance Club for Adventurers		

Attendance update – 0% unauthorised – Well done!

Whole school attendance so far this year:	95.5%	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
96.5% ★	98.9% ★	96.3% ★	95.9%	96.1% ★

Have a great Easter break. We return to school on **Tuesday 30th April 2019**.

Scott Grason
Headteacher

SUMMER TERM CLUBS

My child _____ in _____ Class will be taking part in the following clubs.

Day	Club	Please tick
Monday	Homework Club – All invited	
Tuesday	Dance – Adventurers only	
	Art – Leaders and Discoverers only	
	Gardening – All invited	
Wednesday	Football – All invited	
Thursday	Sports – Leaders and Discoverers invited	

Emergency Contact details _____

Signed _____ Date _____

Please return this slip to the school office as soon as possible.