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Dear Parents and Carers,

Acts of Kindness

Congratulations to Stirling, Alice and Sophia, who have been nominated for an Act of Kindness certificate this week. Well done for all your efforts.

Pentecost Half Term Activity

After half term we would normally be celebrating Pentecost. Therefore, we are asking children to create a flame picture. This could be painted, collaged or made using a computer programme. You may also like to take a picture of yourselves in Pentecost colours having a picnic. Please send your flames and photos via the admin email as we would love to see them!

We have attached some Pentecost at Home resources for you to use from the Diocese of York.

Return to School for Reception, Year 1 and Year 6 pupils

As you know there has been a suggested date of 1st June for the return to school of Reception, Y1 and Y6. The government has informed us that they will advise us further on 28th May and we await the outcome of their decision. Our Governing Body will then decide, based on the information at that time, if Danby school is able to proceed with a safe opening and we will confirm our position with you on Friday 29th May.

As we prepare to open our doors after the lockdown in March, we are conscious of the level of worry and anxiety that children, parents and staff face. With this in mind we are planning to make the school as safe and as normal a place as possible. We are following the guidance set out for us from the Department for Education website. To help you as a parent we have tried to put all this guidance into context for our school and have attached a draft Parent Guidance Sheet of 'dos and don'ts'. Please note that this guidance is based on the information that we have received to date and may be subject to change. We will be sending out a child friendly version of some of this guidance next week for you to share with your child/ren. This is so that your child will know what to expect before they return to school.

Please be assured that in all of our decision making processes, the health, safety and well-being of the children and staff have always been uppermost in our minds.

Half term Contact

As it is half term next week we will not be sending out Learning Packs on Monday and teachers will not be checking their work emails. However, we remain contactable throughout half term via the admin@danby.n-yorks.sch.uk email address should you need to speak to us or if you are a key worker and require urgent childcare.

Many of us will be in school next week making preparations, if you require further exercise books, spelling books, mental maths books etc. please let us know as, when children do return to the school, we are advised we will not be able to exchange resources in and out of school.

Have a lovely week, hope the weather stays sunny for us!

Best wishes,

Liz Orland
Headteacher