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Dear Parents and Carers,

Well we have reached the end of the school year and I can honestly say we've never had a year like this one! On behalf of the staff team I would like to wholeheartedly thank you for the way in which you have worked with us over the last few months, your support has been much appreciated and the staff are very grateful for all your kind comments through what has been an unusual and challenging time.

### **September Arrangements**

As it stands at the moment we are planning to fully open in September in line with the current DfE Guidelines – **all groups of children are able to return to school from September to their normal classes.**

However, I do not intend to issue you with parent guidance at this time as I feel that 7 weeks is a long time in these current circumstances and any guidance is likely to be subject to change again before the September start. In the meantime, we will continue with putting in place our protective measures for a full return and would like to reassure you that the health, safety and well-being of our children, families and staff will be at the heart of our planning. We will issue detailed up-to-date guidance to you in the first week of September prior to the children returning to school on Wednesday 9<sup>th</sup> September.

### **Summer Learning Pack**

Attached to the email is a generic home-learning pack for the summer holidays. Please know that there is no requirement for the children (or you!) to carry out any school work over the holiday period. However, we are mindful that it is a seven week holiday this year on top of an already very long period away from school for many children. Therefore, we have suggested some activities and resource links for those who would like to keep a little learning ticking along! We hope that you will find it useful.

### **School Reports**

We hope that you have all now received your child's report which was emailed to you last Friday. Thank you to those who responded so promptly. If you have not yet had the chance to do so, please could you drop us an email to let us know that you have received this. Thank you.

## **Farewells**

We have said sad farewells to our wonderful Year 6 this week. We are so thankful that they have been able to return to school for their last week together. We wish Tommy, Riley, Hannah, Evie, Sophia, Scott, Oscar and Simon lots of luck at their new schools and are sure that they will all go on to be superstars!

## **Parent Carer Voice North Yorkshire.**

The parent/carer forum in North Yorkshire has recently been relaunched. Formerly known as NYPACT, the forum is now known as Parent Carer Voice North Yorkshire. The relaunch has included a rebrand, and a new website which can be found at <https://www.parentcarervoicenuk.org/> Parent Carer Voice North Yorkshire is for parents and carers of children and young people with special educational needs and/or disabilities (SEND) who are aged 0-25. North Yorkshire County Council has worked closely with the forum as it developed the rebranding. Closer working relationships have been established with the Council, and with health providers and commissioners. Parent Carer Voice North Yorkshire wants to reflect more effectively the particular needs of children and young people with special educational needs and disabilities throughout North Yorkshire, and to support and gather the voice of parent/carers in every locality. The Council and health colleagues have already worked successfully with Parent Carer Voice to develop communication and information for parents/carers during the Covid-19 pandemic. Moving forward there will be an increased emphasis on co-production with the forum to develop services and provision. Schools and settings are encouraged to inform parents/and carers about Parent Carer Voice North Yorkshire.

For more information please visit the website <https://www.parentcarervoicenuk.org/>.

## **Contact through the holidays**

Should you need to get in contact during the holidays please use the [admin@danby.n-yorks.sch.uk](mailto:admin@danby.n-yorks.sch.uk) address. This in box will be monitored weekly but not daily through the holiday period. Please note that staff email addresses will not be in use during the summer period.

We wish you a happy and healthy summer holiday and look forward to seeing everyone in September!

Best wishes,

Liz Orland  
Headteacher