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To create a school where we all:
Go further than we thought!
run faster than we hoped!
reach higher than we dreamed!
to become the people God meant us to be!!!!!

Dated: 22nd October 2015

Dear Parents & Pupils,

Here is newsletter number 7 for this academic year;

1.	**Harvest Festival**
2.	**Coffee Morning**
3.	**World Food Week**
4.	**Informal parents' evening**
5.	**Shoebox appeal**
6.	**Cross Country**
7.	**Beetle Drive**
8.	**FOSS**
9.	**Poppies**
10.	**Pumpkins**
11.	**Bag-2-School**
12.	**End of Term**
13.	**Wear it Pink**
14.	**Treetops**

1. Thank you to all parents who attended yesterday's Harvest Festival and thank you to all our children and staff for the lovely service. Thank you also to all who donated groceries for Carescent. The charity provides help to homeless people in York and they are always extremely grateful for your kindness. Thanks also go to FOSS for providing teas and coffee after the service

2. All grandparents and older relatives are invited to school from 10.00 - 12.00 for our 'Grandparents Coffee Morning tomorrow, Friday 23rd October. Donations of scones or small cakes for this event will be gratefully received and should be left at the school office.

3. This week has been World Food Week, with 'World Food Day' celebrated on October 16th. World Food Day aims to raise awareness of the issues behind poverty and hunger. To mark this, the school cook has produced a number of dishes from around the world including Mexican Chicken, Chilli con carne and Curry (with vegetarian alternatives). In support of this event Unilever have teamed up with the World Food Programme and have donated 10 meals to the World Food Programme for every case of their 'Create More Sauces' schools purchase, they aim to raise a total of 200,000 meals to combat child hunger.

4. Our informal parents evening will take place this evening, Thursday 23rd October from 4.00pm-6.00pm. The idea of the evening is for parents to "have a go" at some of the activities their child has been completing in class, so bring your child along to help you! There will be chance for you to have an informal chat about how your child is settling into their new class/year group. Please take the opportunity to have a wander into classrooms across the school as we like the evening to be as sociable as possible. **There will be no after school clubs on this evening.**

5. This evening, each child should have brought home a leaflet regarding our shoe box appeal for this year. We are supporting the charity 'Link to Hope' supporting families and the elderly in Albania, Ukraine, Bulgaria , Moldova and Romania. Could any filled shoe boxes please be returned to school when we return from half-term on 2nd November. Thank you for your support.

6. There is a cross country festival at Easingwold School for years 3-6 on the 4th November, all children in these year groups are asked to attend Easingwold school on the morning of the competition and will be returned to school in time for lunch, by coach. Your child should have brought home a letter regarding this event giving further details, could you please return the consent form attached as a matter of urgency.

7.SAVE A DATE FOR YOUR DIARY – FOSS WILL BE HOLDING A FAMILY BEETLE DRIVE ON FRIDAY 20TH NOVEMBER – DETAILS TO FOLLOW

FOSS

Dear Parents and Carers,

it really is half-term already! Over the last few weeks FOSS has managed to hit the ground running, and we'd like to thank you all for your generous support this half-term. To date we have raised a total of £340.70. £177.20 of this was from food at the DVD night, £73.30 from the non-uniform day, £52.20 from the Ice-Lollies sales and received donations of £ 38.00 at the Harvest Festival. Add in to that the Calendar that is in the process of being collated and it has been a fruitful few weeks for FOSS! Thank you as always to the people who have given their time, effort and enterprise for the benefit of FOSS, and to all who have attended, participated and supported FOSS. It is rewarding to see such enthusiasm, participation and benefit. In particular, the collective support from the whole school community in compiling the calendar has been greatly appreciated.

But be warned, it is only going to get busier next half-term! We have a Family Beetle Drive planned for November 20th, a Christmas School Disco, the Christmas Hampers, a few calendars to sell … and a lot of other activities planned too. As ever, the more the merrier, so please come forward if you'd like to join in and help with any events.

Best wishes for the half-term break,
the FOSS Committee.

9. Poppies will be on sale, in school for the Royal British Legion Poppy Appeal, following half-term. If your child would like to buy a poppy the year 6 children will be visiting the classrooms each day to take donations and give out the poppies.

We will be holding a remembrance service in school on 11th November at 10.30am, all family and friends are invited to attend

10. You may remember that we sold Pumpkins at the summer gala with an option that they could be entered into a competition at the end of growing season. If you paid for entrance into the competition this is just to let you know that it will be judged on Tuesday 3rd November. We realise by then that your pumpkin may have been carved or just a bit past its best so Henry would like to give you a couple of options; you can either bring your pumpkin into school on November 3rd or alternatively weigh it and photograph it and bring in the pictures or email them to school.

We look forward to seeing the results of your pumpkin growing when we return from half term.

11. There will be a collection of used clothing by bag2school on Friday 6th November. This is always a very effective way of raising money for school funds. Your child will be given a collecting bag to bring home this evening, if you require any further bags please call at the school office where we have a plentiful supply.

12. A reminder that tomorrow 23rd October is our last day, we return following half term on Monday 2nd November, I hope you all have a lovely break.

Please Remember – tomorrow, Friday 22nd October is 'Wear it Pink' for Breast Cancer Awareness…please come into school wearing something pink.. there will be a collection box in school for anyone who would like to make a donation.

The before and after school club 'Treetops' now have details of their October half term opening hours.

They will be open on 26th, 27th & 28th October.

Opening Hours are 8.30am-5.30pm with a cost of £30.00 per child for a full day. Alternatively if you would like to book a 5 hour session on either of these days the cost is £17.50

All sessions should be booked and paid for in advance.
To make a booking or for further information please contact

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Details of sessions during the Christmas Holidays will follow shortly.

ALSO JUST TO LET YOU KNOW THAT TREETOPS IS OPEN EACH FRIDAY EVENING UNTIL 6.00PM