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Yorkshire Collaborative Academy Trust

Dear Parent/Carer,

Coronavirus update—We currently have 1 child in class 1 and 1 child in class 2 isolating at home. We are continuing to maintain the system of 'bubbles' across the school to try to minimise the spread. Please be advised that we have had cases in both children and staff where the initial symptom was an upset tummy. A reminder that if anyone in a household is positive, then all members of the household, including any child over 5 years, should do daily lateral flow tests for 7 days. Children under 5 years in a household with a positive case should go for a PCR test. PCR tests are now widely available and results are coming back very quickly, the same day in some cases. Thank you for you continuing cooperation.

Well done to all the children who took part in the **cross country** in chilly and windy conditions on Saturday. Photographs are now on the website. The next race is Saturday 12th February at Ghyll Royd School. A further copy of the information is attached. Please email aswith@ycatschools.co.uk by Wednesday 9th if your child would like to take part.

The children greatly enjoyed their **Chinese New Year** lunch on Tuesday. Thank you to Claire who is currently covering for Antoinette while she is off ill. Antoinette will hopefully be back next week.

A reminder about the **'Questions & Answers'** session with Mrs Nayler and her team via zoom on Tuesday 8th February at 7pm. The questions should be general in nature about the school or the curriculum and not about an individual child. The zoom details are: meeting ID 725 582 1141 passcode jrk1Z5.

On Monday morning, Mrs Robinson the **CEO of YCAT,** will be in the playground with me as parents and pupils are arriving at school. She is interested to find out about your views concerning remote learning during lockdown. Please feel free to chat to her. Thank you.

Details and booking information for the online **Parents' Evenings** on Wednesday 16th and Thursday 17th February has now been sent out. Thankyou to those who have already booked an appointment. The booking will close at 9am on Wednesday 16th February.

New date for your diary!! - As part of the celebrations for the Queen's Platinum Jubilee and the Queen's Green Canopy initiative, we are excited to share our plans for an **Askwith tree planting day!** The Woodland Trust have donated 100 samplings to school. Land in Askwith has kindly been made available to us. Our hope is that pupils, parents and residents will all get involved on tree planting day—Tuesday 29th March. More details to follow!

Yours faithfully,

Mrs E Nayler, Headteacher