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Dear Parents/Carers,

Sadly, on Monday, we heard that one of our Reception pupils, Milo Hughes, had died. Milo touched the hearts of all who knew him. He had a fantastic character: he was determined yet thoughtful, considerate and funny. We are all immensely proud of Milo and he will be greatly missed by everyone who had the privilege of knowing him. Our thoughts and prayers are with Milo's family at this desperately distressing time.

Clearly, it will be a very emotional time for many in our school community but together, we will help each other through. We have tried to keep to school routines as far as possible but have taken some to remember and pay tribute to Milo. Our Reception class have drawn pictures to place on Milo's Memory Tree in their classroom.

As many of you will know Milo's funeral will be on Saturday. Due to the current situation, this will be restricted in numbers but his family have invited friends to take the time to reflect on Milo's life by doing something that reminds them of him- 'play "Shotgun" loud and sing along, go to the park and enjoy the slides and the swings, play pirates and remember Captain Milo, eat nice cakes or chicken nuggets, play ludo, watch Marvel Avengers End Game, Matilda or Moana, wear a superhero costume, have a water-fight, go for a walk and look at all the flowers – a lovely idea and a fitting tribute, I'm sure you'll agree.

Children are all different and are likely to react in different ways but please rest assured that staff have been, and will continue to be, available to offer support as the need arises. I have attached the CYC information booklet for children which you may find helpful.

As always, please don't hesitate to contact me if I can be of support.

### Fundraiser for the Hughes Family

A fundraiser through 'Go Fund Me' has been set up to help pay for a holiday for Marie, Seb & Lucas Hughes. Here is the link should you wish to contribute.

<https://gofund.me/424f9e76>

N.B You can remove the sliding tip to zero otherwise they add a percentage on to the donation.

### Walk to School Week 14<sup>th</sup>-18<sup>th</sup> June 2021 and Clean Air Day 18<sup>th</sup> June 2021

York's Walk to School Week is to be held on **14<sup>th</sup>– 18<sup>th</sup> June** and **Clean Air day will be celebrated on 18<sup>th</sup> June**. The theme this year is asking drivers to use their car less to protect children's health from air pollution which fits nicely with travelling actively to school.



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Children enjoy walking and cycling to school. It helps keep them fit and healthy and they can travel with their friends. Reducing the number of cars making the journey to school helps make outside school safer and helps cut harmful air pollution around school, which children are more susceptible to. If families do need to get to school by car, could you try to park a little further away from school and walk the last few minutes?

### New arrivals in Year 2!

This week Year 2 have welcomed some new arrivals to their classroom! The children have been amazed to see the transformation from caterpillar to butterfly and this week we released them into the wild.

Here are some pictures of the event. A big thank you to Mrs Scoffield for providing the kits.



### Bikeability Sessions

Just a reminder that Bikeability sessions have been organised for next half-term.

Year 6 will need their bikes in school every day during the week commencing 12<sup>th</sup> July 2021.

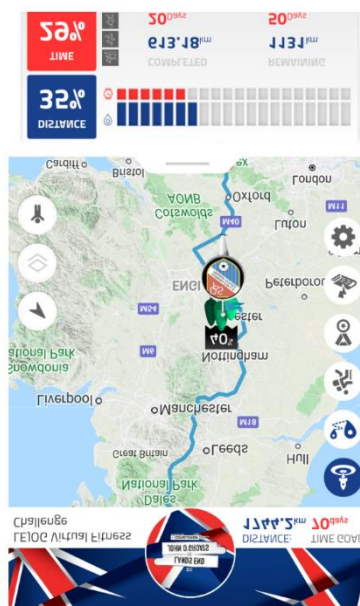
Year 5 sessions have been booked for the dates listed below:

Thursday 17th and Friday 18th June

Thursday 24th and Friday 25th June

Thursday 8th and Friday 9th July

### Staff Charity Challenge Update



It's been a busy three weeks for our charity challenge to run and walk from Land's End to John O'Groats, we're now ahead of our weekly goal having travelled over a third of the way along already! We've just passed Oxford and are heading rapidly towards Stratford Upon Avon! Alongside this, Mrs Hutchinson had been busy baking and has raised extra money with a staff cake sale, which has helped to keep us all well fuelled for our exercise! So far, we've raised an amazing £1,335 for Oscar's Paediatric Brain Tumour Charity and St Leonard's Hospice. A massive thank you to everyone who's contributed, your donations are keeping us motivated and show the amazing caring community we are part of.

If you would like to read more about our challenge or donate, please visit: <https://www.justgiving.com/team/DunningtonCEPrimarySchoolCharityRun>



Message from Mrs Rowntree

If your child has signed up for any sports club after half -term, they have been allocated a place. The clubs will start after half-term as planned. The Reception club starts on the first Monday back. Please pick your children up from their club at their usual collection point in the playground.

PE Kit

Please could you ensure that your child has spare socks and hair bobbles (for long hair) in their PE kit. Many thanks.

I hope you have a restful half-term.

With very best wishes,



Caroline Hancy

Headteacher



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