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Friday 15<sup>th</sup> March

Dear Parents, Carers and Children,

The last two weeks of school has seen every child in school having swimming lessons, and children attednding curriculum enriching trips to York (Yorkminster and the Jorvik Centre), St John's Church in Hartford and the After Five Chinese Takeaway in Northwich. Staff have met with governors to discuss how we continue to develop the curriculum and improve the teaching of individual subjects, and there has been staff professional development and training in first aid, epilepsy, different presentations of autism and the teaching and progression of vocabulary across the primary phases. Our PTA rustled up a delicious batch of treats for the Mother's Day cake sale and the children had a lovely day celebrating reading on World Book Day. There have been sports competitions and the first week of the Big Walk and Wheel, and a range of after school clubs and activities. Thank you to everyone involved with the school for their hard work and commitment to providing a fantastic and rounded education for the children.

#### **Comic Relief and Fundraising for ChAPS**

The children look great today 'Dressed Funny' for Comic Relief and they have kept each other entertained with their favourite jokes! Thank you for your generous donations. We have raised over £200 for Comic Relief and the same amount for ChAPS.

#### **Sporting Events**

Key Stage 2 Football Mini League: This week nine of us from Year 6 competed in a local football tournament against other primary schools. We played a total of three games, winning our first, but unfortunately losing our next two. The referees nominated Logan as the best player from our school due to his good sportsmanship and playing very well. We are especially proud of our response in the second half of the first game because we scored five goals and conceded none when we were one nil down. We all really enjoyed ourselves and loved the chance to represent our school. Ollie, Louis, Jake, Logan, Henry and Arthur

#### Staffing Updates

Mrs Allen has started her maternity leave this week and we all wish her the very best. We welcome Mrs Tuohy back to Winnington Park who will be teaching in Year 1 with Mrs Ford, and from May, we also welcome Mrs Adams who will be teaching in Year 3 with Mrs Hainsworth. Congratulations to Miss Hope who will take up role as SENDCo from May when Mrs Mitchell leaves. Next week Mrs Creamer starts in the school office and she will be a great addition to the team.

## The Sustrans Big Walk and Wheel 11<sup>th</sup> – 22<sup>nd</sup> March

We've been really impressed with the great uptake for this event during the first week and are really proud of the number of children and their familes who have reorganised their usual plans to cycle, scoot or walk to school. We are doing very well, but our online participation log shows we are behind other local schools! Let's do everything we can in week 2 to increase participation. Which year group will receive our Big Walk and Wheel trophy at the end of next week?

### Unsafe driving on Firdale Road and Moss Farm

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Unfortunately, in the same week that we are promoting active and healthy travel, and more children are out on the pavements and roads around school, there have been several reports of very fast, inconsiderate and unsafe driving on Firdale Road and around the Moss Farm car park. Our local PCSOs have been handed registration numbers and will be making more regular visits to the Moss Farm site over the coming weeks. Let's all please stay safe. Thank you for your patience with the congestion being caused by the work on the car park next to the FA building.

#### **Parent's Evening**

A <u>letter about Parents' Evening</u> was emailed last week. Please visit <u>https://winningtonpark.parentseveningsystem.co.uk</u> to book your appointments. When booking your time slot, please use the comments box to let your child's class teacher know in advance if there is anything in particular you would like to talk about. Teachers can then make sure they answer all your queries in the time available.

Yours Sincerely,

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