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## A message from Mrs Atherton



I have shown a number of new parents around school over the last few weeks. One of the things that has impressed them the most is how our older children care for our younger children, as you can see in this gorgeous photograph.

Unfortunately, I have to share some sad news with you today. Our wonderful, super-efficient Mrs Brownhill is taking early retirement and setting off across Europe in her campervan for the summer term! Mrs Brownhill has worked at the school for 8 years and will be missed by

us all. Sarah goes way above her job description and I don't know how we'll manage without her calm, measured response to all of our questions. Mrs Mills is also leaving as she has a very exciting new job as SENDco at York Steiner school. I'm sure you'll join me in wishing her all the very best.

Mrs Cope will return from her maternity leave as SENDco.

**Comic Relief** Thank you for supporting us on red nose day. We raised £72 for this wonderful charity. We loved doing 'something funny for money.' School Council chose the winning joke from each class:



**Arthur (age 5):** What do you call a lamb without a head and legs? A cloud!

**Alex (age 6):** What do you sing to a dragon on his birthday? Flappy birthday!

**Scarlett (age 7):** How do you make a tissue dance? Put a little 'boogie' in it!

**Sofia (age 7):** Why did Elsa lose her balloon? Because she 'let it go'.

**Ethan (age 10):** Did you hear about the man at the barbecue? He met the 'grill' of his dreams!

**Harley (age 10):** What do you call a deer with no eyes? No eye-dia



## Our whole school food waste DT days

We had a great few DT days last week. We learnt all about how to reduce food waste.

In Early years, we decided to use bruised bananas to make banana muffins so that they didn't get wasted. One Hedgehog said "my mummy bins brown bananas, I'm going to save them!"

In Key Stage One, we used a range of vegetables. We made our own soup and learnt lots of new skills such as peeling and chopping.

Owls discovered that potatoes are one of the most wasted foods in UK households so we used them to make potato wedges and used newspapers for our packaging!



It has been wonderful to see such amazing art across school this week.



### Someone Special Afternoon tea

Thank you to the Early years 'dream team' for organising such a special afternoon tea for our families yesterday. It was delightful to see so many of you in school and the children were so proud!

Our sensory room is now complete and being used by the children. Some parents have already been in to see it and were overwhelmed by Mr Bradish's handiwork. You will all be able to pop your heads in and have a look at the Easter Fair. Your support with our fundraising activities has created this magical place for so many of our children. Our recent fundraising is for an interactive whiteboard for our Tiny Toadstools. Thank you for your support.



### Attendance

Hedgehogs (Reception): 93%

Squirrels (Year 1): 93%

Hares (Year 2): 94%

Owls (Year 3/4): 94%

Badgers (Year 4/5): 95%

Foxes (Year 5/6): 96%

Whole School: 94%

The winning class this week are:



### Dates for your diary



Mon 28th Mar: Parents' Evenings this week

Wed 30th Mar: Owls visit to York Minster

Wed 30th Mar: KSI Sightseeing bus

Fri 1st April: Non uniform day  
(donations of chocolate for the Easter Fair)

Tues 5th April: Art Day

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Thurs 7th April: Art Day & Non-uniform Day

Fri 8th April: Training Day

Mon 25th Apr: Back to school