

Dear Parents,

The week has flown by yet again, with our pupils in J3 enjoying an exhausting yet fun-filled and life-affirming trip to Castle Howard for the annual J3 Bushcraft Residential. I am sure that they will have numerous stories to share with you upon their return; I do hope that the residential was even better than they anticipated. No doubt there will be some very tired children this evening!

The J2 boys travelled to Scarisbrick Hall for their first ever rugby match where I believe they scored some excellent tries. I am so proud of their stamina, good spirit and positive approach to such competitions. The Pre-School and Infant Fun Runs, and the Junior and Infant House Cross Country, were a highlight of the week too, with our pupils demonstrating significant determination during the races alongside showcasing wonderful sportsmanship throughout each event. I was particularly delighted to see our pupils supporting each other as they crossed the finish line. I look forward to receiving the final scores for the Houses during Monday's Achievement Assembly.

I would like to share with you the news that Mr Berry and I will be reopening our day time events to parents, and spectators at sporting events, from Monday 18 October. For our Infant and Junior parents, this will mean that they are welcome to attend our Achievement Assemblies on a Monday from this date onwards. Further details will follow about the timings of these assemblies. Any parent of a pupil receiving a Star of the Week, or the Headmistress's Above and Beyond Award, on this date will receive an email the Friday before letting them know that their child will be receiving an accolade. They or a close family relative could then choose to attend if they are able. Even if your child is not due to receive an award, we would still be delighted to welcome you to these assemblies.

Thank you to those parents who were able to join us at our Macmillan Coffee Morning held earlier today and to those that kindly donated from afar. I should have an update on Monday with regards to the total raised for this worthwhile cause. We very much appreciate your support and donations. It was lovely to catch up with some of you over coffee and cake, despite having to get together in the outdoors once again.

With best wishes for a restful weekend.

Mrs K L O'Donoghue  
Headmistress