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Dear Parents and Carers,

'Well-being' Day

We have all had a fantastic day...

Learning British Sign Language, baking and selling buns, playing board games, working together on jigsaws, completing mindfulness activities – colouring and puzzles, quizzes, dancing and singing!

Our bun sale raised £100 for the start of our Lenten Appeal – well done Year 7!

Key Stage 3 students came together to celebrate Wellbeing Day during period 5. It was a vibrant event that highlighted the accomplishments and efforts of our young learners. The celebration took a delicious turn as members of the student leadership team, alongside some Year 10 hospitality and catering students, took charge of cooking and serving pizzas. One of the highlights of the event was the prize draw, featuring students who had earned over 400 achievement points. The lucky winner was Michael Ashmore!

Wellbeing Day served as a reminder that acknowledging and celebrating achievements, big or small, contributes significantly to a positive and supportive school environment. It was a day filled with laughter and a sense of accomplishment that will undoubtedly leave a lasting impact on the students' overall wellbeing. Thanks to all staff and students for their efforts and enthusiastic involvement today.



Primary School Basketball Festival – Message from Miss Howard (Sports Games Organiser)

Today, with the help of nine student sports leaders and 'PE Pro', over 120 primary children enjoyed learning some basketball skills in our sports hall.



Eight primary schools from the Selby District brought pupils in years 3&4 for a full day event. In the morning, with the help of our sports leaders, they practiced shooting, dribbling and learning about the sport.



After all the fun it was then time for the competition to start. There were some fantastic skills on show and both the leaders, and I were incredibly impressed in particular with their

shooting but also the respect and determination they showed.

Our sports leaders will use the experience from today to start planning their own football festival later in the year. They showed great enthusiasm and kindness to others.

Year 7 Parents Evening

It was great to see Year 7 parents and carers on Thursday night. Many thanks for your positive feedback. Please do not hesitate to contact us if you need more information or have any queries.

Reminder dates for your diary:

Monday 19th February – Return to school

Thursday 22nd February – Year 10 Parent's Evening in school

Wednesday 28th February – [This is a change of date](#) Year 11 Exam briefing for Parents and revision support workshops (5.30pm to 7pm)

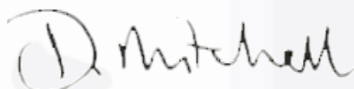
Year 9 Options Evening – Thursday 14th March (4.30pm to 6.30pm)

Finally this week...

There have been some really special moments today. All the things we planned had a purpose - encouraging teamwork, building resilience and developing positive relationships between students and staff. Great things to build on in the second half of this academic year!

'If we try to secure the well-being of others, we will, at the same time, create the conditions for our own.' Dalai Lama

Have a restful half term break,



Mrs D. Mitchell
Headteacher