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Dear Parent/Carer

Year 5 & 6 Puberty Talk for girls – Thursday 26th November

Mrs Carr, Annie and I will be discussing puberty and body changes with our Y5 and Y6 girls next Thursday. This will be followed up in more detail by our school nursing team once lockdown is over, probably in the summer term. The girls will be informed about support and provision in school and about talking to adults if they are worried. If you would not like your child to take part in the session next Thursday, please ring school to inform us.

Good News

One of our Y4 girls has won the Durham Constabulary Christmas card competition and her design will be used for the card sent out from the Police this year. We hope to put a photograph etc on Facebook in the near future. Well done to everyone who took part in the competition. As you can imagine, we are very proud and she was very excited to learn she had won!

Fund Raising for Defibrillators

We are trying to fundraise to buy more defibrillators for the village community and would like your help to make this project a success. The children in Year 3 are leading the project but we would like everyone to take part. The children in each year group have discussed the importance of having access to defibrillator in an emergency and children are taking part in First Aid training over the next few weeks.

On Tuesday 1st December, we will be holding a sponsored fundraising day, which all children will take part in. Activities include a Dance-a-thon, sponsored run and skipping challenges. Children are invited to come to school wearing something red – even a bobble, sticker or socks – there is no need to buy special clothing for this event- and bring in a donation. The cost of a defibrillator is high (£5600 for the four we are aiming to get) so this is a huge challenge. The children are passionate about helping their community and we hope you feel you can help us. A defibrillator can increase survival from a heart attack from 6% up to 74% if used within 3 minutes of the attack – that is why greater access to them is so important.

A sponsor form will be sent out by each year group next week. More information can be found in the year 3 assembly which we hope to have on Facebook and the website by the end of the week.

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Spare Clothes

We are now in a position to take donations of clothes from anyone who has spares. This is for both sites and could include underwear, jumpers, trousers etc. If you are able to bring any into school, please put them in a tied black bag so we can quarantine them as directed in our school risk assessment and Public Health England.

Regards

Marie-Louise Binks

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Head Teacher