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Sports Funding

All schools receive money from the government to improve our sports activities. Mr Jackson, the PE leader, has reviewed how we spent the money last year and has set out spending plans for this year. We will use some of the money to improve the teaching of our PE lessons. We will also continue to encourage our children to take part in new sports activities, both in lesson time and after school. For example, we will continue to work with the Leeds United Foundation. You can read more about our sports funding on the school website under the "Our Academy" section. I will continue to monitor how effectively the money is spent in my termly report to governors.

Attendance

The table below shows the attendance for each class last week. Congratulations to year 1 for having an attendance of more than 99%! Each week, our whole-school attendance should be at least 96%.

Upper Foundation	Year I	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4	Year 5	Year 6	Whole School
95.5%	99 .1%	99 .1%	96.7%	93.5%	94.5%	89.7%	95.3%

Fundraising

Thank you to everyone who donated money or wore yellow clothes for World Mental Health Day last Thursday. We raised over $\pm 160!$ We are going to buy some new books about mental wellbeing for our library with part of the money we raised.

Special Visitor

This week, the vicar from Saint Helen's Church came to speak to Year 5. The vicar explained how he and the church help people in the community. The children could also ask the vicar questions about his work. After the visit, Nellie told me, "It was great to find out that the vicar can sometimes feel emotional at work. He spends a lot of time helping members of our local community who might be struggling for food or shelter."

Twitter

Please remember to continue to check our Twitter account for the latest information about the academy. This week, our teachers shared examples of work that the children have recently done in class.

Thank you for your continued support.

Yours sincerely,

Mr C Johnson Headteacher

