

14th June 2019

Dear Parents / Carers,

One Monday we were very excited in school to welcome Leeds Children's Mayor – Rio who came to talk to the Junior Leadership Team (JLT) about life as a Children's Mayor. He spoke with great confidence about his manifesto to tackle racism in schools with his slogan 'Stop Think, Racism Stinks'. He also answered a long list of questions devised by the children in assembly on Monday morning. The children were very impressed to hear how Rio had turned on Leeds Christmas lights this year! Rio also visited our Y5 class to talk to them about entering this year's competition to become the next Leeds Children's Mayor – we're hopeful someone will have a great idea for a 'low cost / no cost' manifesto to get them through to the final stages of the competition and might even become mayor! Today the older children in JLT are involved in the important business of recruiting a new KS2 teacher, they're very busy.



Last week we took some Y5 and Y6 children to Leeds Beckett University to take part in a range of sports such as American football, netball, squash, basketball, tennis, weight lifting and athletics. Mrs Beall and Mr Kelly were really proud of the children's achievements and their attitudes and efforts when trying out a range of sports.

Next week it is Sports' Day so we're looking forward to seeing some great sporting skills from all of our children. The weather looks ok for now but if for any reason we have to cancel we will send out texts as soon as possible. Please make sure we have your up to date contact details via the data sheets which have recently been sent out. Children always come to school on Sports' Day in their team colours P.E. kit. Please check with your child which team they are in and do your best to put them in a t shirt matching the team colours.

I have some very lovely news to share now with children and parents who remember Mrs Pearson who left our school at end of last year. One of the hardest things I've ever had to do as a Headteacher is to explain to a group of children and parents that Mrs Pearson had lost her baby, it was a very difficult time for everyone in Team GD. We recently heard the news however that Mrs Pearson has given birth to a healthy baby boy – James, a little brother to Olivia. I'm sure you will join with me in wishing Mrs Pearson and her family huge congratulations. We have been in touch and she may visit us before the end of term this year.



Have a lovely weekend.

Miss Hill