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Dear Parents/Carers,

Another busy week at Ouston Primary! As we head into the weekend, I would like to share some further news and information with you all.

Children in Need

Thank you for everyone's efforts today to support us with Children in Need. It was lovely to see so much yellow and other bright colours this morning in the sunshine, plus lots of Pudsey ears and face paint! Your donations have raised an amazing £290 for this charity. Your generosity is very much appreciated, particularly during these unsettled times.

Parent/Carer Evenings

From next week, parents/carers should start to receive summary reports for their child via Class Dojo or by email if you do not have access to this. You should also receive examples of your child's current work. As with our usual Parents/Carers Evenings, please take the opportunity at this time to ask your child's class teacher any questions or to share any comments. These can be made via Class Dojo/by email or you may wish to request a phone call conversation with the Class Teacher. For parents/carers of pupils with Special Educational Needs, please contact Mrs Wise via the school email address or arrange a phone call if you wish to speak with her about any issues or questions.

Anti-Bullying Week 'United Against Bullying'

Next week is Anti-Bullying week and where possible, we would like children to come into school on Monday wearing blue clothing for Blue Monday. Don't worry if you do not have any blue clothing, your child may just come non-uniform but the more blue, the better! This marks the beginning of our week where we look closely at the issue of bullying, why



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this is wrong and how to tackle it. Children in all classes will be involved in anti-bullying theme activities during the week and we have purchased an excellent Anti-Bullying film package for Years 2 to 6, created by Bigfoot Arts Education.

As a Rights Respecting School, respecting and caring for others and ensuring that children's rights are met and understood is a fundamental aspect of our ethos and curriculum.

You may want to look at our 'Positive Behaviour for Learning' policy to find out more about how we promote positive behaviour in school and our procedures for dealing with inappropriate behaviour and supporting the children involved.

Our Promoting British Values (democracy, the rule of law, individual liberty and mutual respect and tolerance of those with different faiths and beliefs) explains about how we promote these aspects in school through a range of activities.

You can find both of these documents on our school website or by clicking on the link below:

<http://www.oustonprimary.durham.sch.uk/about-us/school-policies/>

NSPCC Workshops

As you may already be aware, our school has strong links with the NSPCC and we hold regular fund raising events for this charity. We also work in partnership with them to deliver 'Speak Out, Stay Safe' workshops for our children in Years 1 – 6 every two years.

These workshops will take place during the week beginning 23rd November. Please see the letter attached which gives more detail about this.

Christmas

I will send a further letter out next week to let you know how we will be organising all of our Christmas activities this year – we have lots of lovely plans to share with you!

Have a great weekend everyone,

Mrs Lavelle

Headteacher



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