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Dear parents, carers and students,

Safeguarding Update – Launch of “Tell Us”

The 'Tell Us' service is for students (parents and carers) to safely submit any safeguarding concerns confidentially, on line. We've adopted this strategy as students sometimes find it difficult or uncomfortable talking to an adult so may find it easier to send an email. We also know from our conversations with parents and carers, that sometimes if the concern is not in relation to your own child, that you are worried that you might be seen to be “meddling” or you're not sure who to report your concerns to.

Someone might want to complete a “Tell Us” form if they are worried about: bullying (online or in person), have a concern about a friend, or about something that happened online or a person might want to report a particular website that has been viewed or it could simply be because something just doesn't feel right.

No-one should keep concerns to themselves, “Tell Us” so that help and support can be provided.

When completing the form, you don't have to provide a name or email address. Without this information the form will be completely anonymous however, if you do wish to be contacted about your message then these must be included.

Please also continue to contact your child's Head of Year and form tutor about concerns – this feature is just an additional tool, to add to our safeguarding procedures and doesn't replace our current practice.

Is your child in Year 7 or Year 8 and keen to try a new sport? Look at this wonderful invite!

“Hillam & Monk Fryston Cricket Club are delighted to invite pupils of Sherburn High's Years 7 & 8 to join our Under 13s indoor nets coaching sessions, starting on 4th March. Cricket is an excellent all-round sport and there's something for everyone across fielding, batting and bowling. Don't worry if you've never played before, everyone is welcome and full skills coaching is given. If you have played before and would like to get back in to it, come and join us!

When the season starts in May, our teams will be part of the York & District Junior League and we have a fantastic mix of girls and boys playing in exciting, engaging and safe games with fully trained and DBS certified coaches.

Summer coaching will be on Friday nights at the Pavilion (off Chapel Street in Hillam, postcode LS25 5HP). In matches, players are rotated equally and we ensure there are many opportunities for development but above all, it's about enjoying the game.

We are also running winter nets training sessions for Years 4 to 6, if there are younger siblings who would like to join the Under 11 and Under 9 squads.

Dates for your diary: Starting today (Ms Oakley is very sorry for the short notice!! And it doesn't matter if you miss tonight, and start next week!) Friday 4th March: soft ball and hard ball indoor

nets sessions. No experience needed, just come and join in. Indoor nets will run every Friday from 4th March at Brigshaw School, WF10 2HR.

Practice runs from 6pm to 7pm for school years 4 to 6 and 7pm to 8pm for years 7 & 8. All equipment is provided, no special kit necessary.

And finally...

All week we've been celebrating our love of reading, marking World Book Day, which took place yesterday. As part of our celebration students in years 7 and 8 are raising money by a sponsored read and all students have been dared to take part in some "Extreme" reading (– find out more by visiting Sherburn English on Twitter!) Assemblies this week have also seen Houses battle it out in our World Book Day quiz and I'm pleased to share with you the following message from Mrs Hannam:

"Congratulations to the winners Lotherton House! And to Year 7 who scored the highest year group score; special treats are on their way to Year 7 forms for Monday. A special mention goes to Year 10, for their engagement and conduct during the quiz, there may even be a special treat coming your way!"

Thank you as always for your on-going support,

Yours sincerely,

Miriam Oakley
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