

## Head's Message

Dear Parents/Carers,

I would like to begin this weeks newsletter by congratulating the Year 5 and Year 6 children who were crowned champions of 'The Five Towns' Indoor Athletics Competition, which was held earlier this week at Minsthorpe School. I understand from speaking to Miss Howard and Mrs Wood that all the children performed wonderfully well. As a result of this success, the children will now represent the area at the Yorkshire Finals, which are due to be held in Huddersfield next month.

Well done to all those children who have chosen to enter the Pontefract Performing Arts Festival - 2020. This is a very high profile event and will provide the children with a real opportunity to showcase their talents across a range of different competitions that are available to them.

It was super to have so many Year 6 parents attending the two Year 6 SATS Briefing sessions that we ran on Monday and Tuesday this week. The children continue to work hard and now need to push on even more to build their knowledge and understanding, so as to ensure they are reaching their undoubted potential.

On Wednesday next week, we have arranged for Jim Gump to visit Larks Hill School. In 2010 Jim made a decision that he was going to run 10k every day of the year, which he achieved. He has subsequently decided to challenge himself to run 10k every day and then perform a Triathlon (on the same day), 365 days of the year. A challenge he has also successfully met. As you may imagine, his assembly and workshops with the children will be highly inspirational and we are looking forward to having him with us in school.

As per my letter earlier this week, please could I congratulate the children for achieving such a successful week with regards to their school attendance figures. They certainly enjoyed their additional 15 minutes break time reward this morning! Thank you also to the parents and carers for supporting this and for acknowledging the high importance that is associated with school attendance.

May I wish you all a very happy and restful weekend.

Best wishes,

Mr Shuttleworth

