

Dear Parent or Guardian

Your school is enrolled on the Injury Minimisation Programme for Schools (**IMPS**). Much of the work on safety and accident prevention is performed in the classroom during normal curricular lessons. To complement classroom work there is an exciting hospital-based element to the programme.

Year 6 will be visiting Scarborough Hospital on Wednesday 9<sup>th</sup> June 2010. The hospital visit lasts from 9.30 am - 12.00 am. The coach will be leaving school at 9.15 am.

During the visit, the children will have the opportunity to tour the Accident and Emergency Department, to familiarise themselves with the hospital and equipment used. They will watch an interactive video, concentrating on accident prevention and demonstrating basic first aid procedures. They will also be taught life saving skills and the management of choking.

At no time will the children see anything distressing or unpleasant, but if your child may be particularly sensitive to the hospital visit due to an illness, accident or death relating to one of your family or friends, please inform the class teacher

Your child's class will need at least four adults to accompany them. All accompanying parents are encouraged to participate and will have the opportunity to become actively involved in the session – learning or revising life saving skills. You will be expected to maintain discipline for the group of children in your care during the hospital sessions. Please inform the class teacher if you are prepared to help on this visit.

**On the day of your child's visit, please ensure they are wearing appropriate clothing for role play on the floor (no short skirts, unsafe shoes or jewellery).** Any child not suitably dressed will be unable to take part due to our child protection guidelines. **Please provide a mid-morning snack for your child – fruit is ideal. No crisps! Ensure your child eats breakfast on the day of the visit. This is because the visit is long and the children need to concentrate.**

The IMPS Programme is jointly funded by Scarborough, Whitby and Ryedale Primary Care Trust, so to ensure the programme's continuing success and development, your school will be asked to pay £5 per child for this visit. It currently costs the IMPS Programme £10 per child.

All children benefit positively from the IMPS Programme and find it a valuable, stimulating and rewarding experience.

Thank you for your cooperation.

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**ST PETER'S RC SCHOOL**

Although school is able to subsidise the cost of the transport to Scarborough Hospital, we do need to ask for a contribution of £5.00 to cover the charge made by Scarborough Hospital.

Yours sincerely

*L E Finlay*  
Mrs L Finlay  
Headteacher

I give consent for \_\_\_\_\_ to visit Scarborough Hospital on Wednesday 9<sup>th</sup> June 2010

I enclose £5.00

Signed .....