

Dear parents/guardians,

I and some of the partner agencies I work with, including the Fire Service, Northumberland County Council and Action4Acomb, have completed a week in your child's school, working with all classes, on the importance of Flood Resilience, Staying Safe in a Flood and Water Safety.

The children engaged brilliantly and had fun throughout, learning about how we all work together to help protect the community from the impacts of flooding. They have taken part in various activities, including using a fire hose, throwing a throw line, using a robo mower and tractor winch, creating a rain cloud, learning where our drains go and a school walk along the Red Burn to learn about the coming village Flood Alleviation Scheme and what the Community Flood Wardens do.

As a follow up to this I have asked the school to pass on Personal Flood Plans to each home, which you can use to prepare your home in case of a flood in your area. You can also sign up to our Flood Warning Service, by visiting www.gov.uk/check-flood-risk, which sends an advance warning of potential flooding, in your area, to your phone.

If you would like further information on creating a Flood Plan or would like assistance in signing up to our Flood Warning Service you can contact me on colin.hall@environment-agency.gov.uk.

Yours faithfully,

Colin Hall
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