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Dear Parent/Carer,

Once again we are pleased to announce that our school has been offered a place at The Brighton Children's Parade. The event marks the beginning of the annual Brighton Festival and will be held on Saturday 5th May.

This year's theme is 'Paintings'. Our school has been allocated a painting by Alexis Preller which has strong South African imagery. We plan to represent this by making costumes and props to turn us into safari animals.

Sadly it is not likely that we will be able to take every child that wants to take part. To ensure the process is fair we will be picking 10 children from each year group. The names of these children will be drawn out of a hat on Thursday 1st February. If you would like to take part, please ensure that you return the slip below to the office before this date.

If your child would like to take part in the Brighton Children's Parade they must be available on 5th May between 10am and 1pm. An adult will need to accompany them to and from the parade and be able to transport their child's prop. You will need to make your own transport arrangements.

In order to make the costumes and props, all the children taking part will need to commit to an after school club on the following dates: 1st, 8th, 15th and 22nd March, and 19th and 26th April. All sessions will start at 3.15 and finish at 4.45pm. We are hoping to include movement and music this year to make the parade even more fun to participate in and eye-catching to watch.

We will be making props out of willow and would welcome any additional support from adults to help the children to make the structures. If your child is selected, they will receive a letter with further information, which will also allow you to indicate which workshops you would be able to help at.

We will be asking for a contribution of £5 per child to help to cover the cost of the materials. The children will be able to take home their costume and prop after the parade. FOWS have very generously agreed to fund the remaining costs.

After last year's success, we are looking forward to another fantastic event.

Yours sincerely,

Mrs C Street

Miss J Firth

Ms S Williams

Children's Parade Return slip

Child's Name **Class**

Please tick to confirm:

- My child would like the opportunity to take part in the Children's Parade on 5th May 2017
- I understand that I need to make transport arrangements for my child and their props and that they need to be accompanied to and from the parade by an adult
- If my child is chosen, I am willing to pay a donation of £5 to help cover the costs.

Signed (Parent/Carer) **Date**

If your child is successful, we will be in touch with further information.