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This week seems to have flown by, but has been so much more pleasant than the freezing temperatures and snowfalls of last week. When five degrees feels warm, you know how cold it has been! The children have enjoyed being outside – between the showers – and have been very engaged in their learning.

The staff are gradually making appointments and phone-calls to those parents who have concerns. We thank you for your understanding and patience with this. As mentioned last week, we sadly could not control the weather. We are aware that it is lovely for parents to see their children's work. Therefore next Wednesday afternoon from 2:35pm to 3:05pm any parent is welcome to visit their child's classroom to see their exercise books. Please note this is not to discuss your child with the class teacher, but to see the work your children have done.

The PTA have asked me to highlight new protocols for attendance at the school discos they so kindly organise termly. Please take a moment to read the letter later in this newsletter before completing the disco form for 23rd March. Thank you.

The 23rd March is also Sport Relief. As this is a national charitable event that we usually support there is a form later in the newsletter for sponsorship for your child. This is voluntary if you would like to support Sport Relief. The children will all run an additional mile on that day, and you may sponsor them per minute. They will be able to tell you how long it usually takes them to help gauge a suitable minute rate! Thank you in advance to all parents and families who may support this fund raising event for such a worthy cause.

Earlier this week Dr Aulton and I met with the Representative Parent Group. We discussed a number of items including stationery, updating the Guide for Parents, Social Media and the school values. As always it was most helpful for us to listen carefully to the parent perspective. We will be reflecting on the discussion points and plan to implement some changes moving forward.

The Governors do hope that many of you will be able to find a moment to complete the Parent Survey. There is a link to this on the next page, and the survey closes next Friday – 16th March.

Next week Y1 are looking forward to visiting the Hendon Air Museum – I am sure that they will find this most interesting and come back with lots to share.

A final thank you to all parents for your on-going support of the school and your understanding when issues occur. It is much appreciated.

Mrs K. Tamlyn
Head Teacher

Congratulations to our special learners this week who are:

- from YR: - Sienna Filistad and Noah Marsden
- from Y1: - Zach Hart and Mathilda Hutton
- from Y2: - Zoe Hammill and Sian Mancz
- from Y3: - Daniel Bryant and Olivia Cleland
- from Y4: - Sidney Jones and Michelle Panchenko
- from Y5: - Jack Abbott and Imogen Ramoul
- from Y6: - Jaden Austin and Lucia Robertson

We are celebrating our Special Learners this year by each child having a gold star badge to wear during the following week. These badges should be worn with pride, and returned to their class teacher on the Friday morning ready to be given to the next child. Thank you for your help and support with this.

Next Week's Reminders

Friday - Year 1 Trip to Hendon - Remember your packed lunch!

Following the launch of this year's Governor Parent Survey the link to the survey as follows:-

bit.ly/ccsparentsurvey2018

The survey will close on Friday 16th March and we would encourage those parents that have not yet completed the survey to take a couple of minutes to complete it. There will be the opportunity to leave comments at the end to explain your answers in more detail and we welcome your thoughts on areas of improvement as well as those areas that warrant good praise. Your reply is anonymous and the answers and your comments come direct to the Governing Body.

The survey results will help us to assist the School in developing strategies and focus areas of work for the rest of this, and for future academic years. By sharing your views with us you will be helping the school to improve as your answers have a direct effect on your children's learning.

Simon Aulton
Chair of Governors

URGENT - Parents/Grandparents/Friends Needed!

Can you spare a couple of hours on a Friday morning to help our Curriculum Enrichment Cookery group. This is a fun lesson teaching the children how to cook simple recipes. You do not need to be able to cook just another set of hands to help the children. If you would like to help, please contact the school office.

Many thanks





9th March 2018

Musical Evening

If your child is participating in the Music Evening on Thursday 22nd March, beginning at 6:00pm, and finishing before 8:00pm and would like to request tickets for the evening then please complete the reply slip accordingly. As in previous years this will be a cabaret style evening, and so you are welcome to bring drinks and nibbles of your choice to consume as you enjoy the huge variety of performances.

Please note: Fire regulations do impose a limit on the number of adults who may attend. Solo artists will be given priority until the 14th March for tickets; then it will open up to choir (as there are various opportunities for them to perform!) Thank you.

Mrs K Tamlyn
Head Teacher

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To: Mrs. Hamper, School Office

Musical Evening from 6:00pm – 8:00pm on Thursday 22rd March Ticket request slip:

Child's name: _____ Year _____

I would like to request one/two tickets for the musical evening.

(please circle)

Signed: _____

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Dear Parents,

In relation to school discos, the PTA would like to introduce new protocols for these events to ensure a safe and enjoyable evening for all.

- 1) Children will no longer be able to walk home from the discos on their own.
- 2) The following information will need to be recorded on the 'disco form' you complete (the one found in the newsletter near disco time):

If you are taking/collecting others people's children.

If there are any 'triggers that the PTA need to be aware of in relation to your child/ren', and how to respond to these.

If your child/ren have any medical problems, please advise the PTA and the school staff. (Although all school staff are First Aid trained, medication can only be administered by very few adults in the school who have received further training. This is Health and Safety legislation.)

For general safety a telephone number will need to be put on your disco form in case you need to be contacted.

- 3) Children are expected to behave well, no climbing on gym equipment or other items. Any bad behaviour may result in a phone call home.
- 4) At the end of each disco, the children will be put into year groups in the hall. As parents arrive they will be directed to find their child/ren and they can then be signed out.
- 5) Please make children aware that music can be loud. It is fine to take some fresh air but only for a few moments just outside the doors in view of an adult.

Please note, the discos will now have the following new timings:

5.15-6.15 for KS1

6.30-7.30 for KS2

Many thanks for your support with these measures.

Kind Regards,

The PTA and Mrs Tamlyn

It's Disco Time!

Where? School Hall

When? Friday 23rd March

Time? **Reception/KS1 Disco:** 5.15pm – 6.15pm

KS2 Disco: 6.30pm – 7.30pm



Price? Tickets are £3.50 per child, which includes a packet of crisps and unlimited squash.

****CASH ONLY****

Please book your child(ren)'s tickets by returning the form below to the School Office in an envelope marked "Disco". You can also pay on the door!!

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To: School Office in a sealed envelope marked "School Disco"

Name of Child Yr Group

I enclose £

Please add a contact number for Parent/Guardian:

Name & Contact Numbers: _____

Please detail clearly any MEDICAL conditions/allergies, or any other information you feel is important, that we should be aware of:

- If your child is to be collected at the end of the disco by another parent, please indicate this on the booking in form, at the start of the disco.

Please ensure that your child is booked in and out of the disco on the evening. Many thanks.

Independent Travel Agents

Independent Travel Agents is a travel agent who works from home locally and is a member of The Independent Travel Experts. As an agent they realise how hard it is for parents to take holiday during School holidays due to soaring prices. They would like to reach local families to offer further discounts on top of deals already out there.

If you are interested in further information please contact Debbie Caudery on 08000 465 122 or debbie.caudery@ite.travel.

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