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Dear Parents and Carers,

We all enjoyed our World Book Day last week and had great fun exploring words and enjoying books and reading activities around the school. It was a pleasure to see children of all ages working together and supporting each other throughout the day! Our thanks go to Mrs Joslin for organising this super day for us all to enjoy! Our School Association ran a 'Readathon' event to coincide with World Book Day from 10th February to 2nd March. Three prizes were awarded to children in each category, Reception, Key Stage One and Key Stage Two. Well done to Rosa, Annalise and William from Reception, to Anna, Catherine and Olivia in Key Stage One and to Nathanael, Ivy and Fred in Key Stage Two for reading the most books! We raised over £1,500 towards school funds, thank you to all involved!

It has been lovely to see so many parents and family members in school this week! I think it has been the most parents, grandparents and family members in school in one week since before the pandemic. We have welcomed families in for Linden and Beech Class assemblies both of which brought smiles to our faces as the children presented their learning in such creative and dramatic ways! Rachel Greenwood, our DASP violin teacher, organised and led a violin concert for our 15 violinists from Year 2 to Year 4. A super opportunity for the children to experience a live performance!

Thank you to those of you who have been able to meet with your child's class teacher this week for our mid-year parent consultations. I hope that you found this useful and informative. Feedback has been positive regarding the combination of face-to-face and virtual appointments.

Next week, we will join in with 'Comic Relief' through making donations and raising money for charity by coming to school in non-uniform! You can make donations through our school page at: <https://app.parentpay.com/ParentPayShop/Foc/Default.aspx?shopid=10144>

I hope that you all have a lovely weekend!

Yours sincerely



Extended School – Stay and Play Survey

Thank you to those of you who have already completed this survey. There is still time to give your views and provide us with feedback. Please click on the link to complete the survey:

https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSclibISeWh-iB8rLa7lO-bkDxC9AzipGWui8FZVNfEqDWLVQ/viewform?usp=sf_link

This survey will close next Friday 17th March 2023.

Future Dates:

17 Mar	Comic Relief - non-uniform
23 Mar	Easter Service 9.00am - School Hall - Parents Welcome! Easter Service 2.00pm - School Hall - Parents Welcome!
24 Mar	School Association - School Disco - booking through Gateway from today!
27-29 Mar	Hooke Court - Year 4 Residential Visit
31 Mar	Last Day of Term for children
	SUMMER TERM 2023
17 Apr	Term begins for children
20 Apr	*Bikeability - Year 4 - Group 1 - for children who have signed up in advance
24 Apr	*Bikeability - Year 4 - Group 2 - for children who have signed up in advance
25 Apr	Full Governing Body Meeting (4)
2 - 26 May	Year 2 Statutory Assessments (SATs)
1 May	BANK HOLIDAY - no school
4 May	Class Assembly- Oak- 9.00am
5 May -	Coronation Celebration - Afternoon Tea - Parents Welcome!
8 May -	Coronation BANK HOLIDAY - no school

***Year 4 children who have signed up for this will be informed of their group and date before the Easter break.**