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Dear Parent/carers,

We have reached the end of our half term with Christmas now seeming like a very long time ago. We have had a lovely half term packed with learning and fun and we have raised a huge amount of money to spend on our children- some of which we have already started to spend on new resources and games.

It was lovely to see some of our Y1 parents and grandparents at our learning café yesterday. There was lots of laughter (and some competitiveness) and the children had a brilliant time. It is a wonderful opportunity for families to see the type of learning activities the children engage in and to take home some ideas for home learning.

**World Book Day**

Just a reminder that World Book Day is on Thursday 6th March. This is the first week back after half term. We encourage all children to bring one of their favourite books to school to share with their friends and we will be holding lots of reading activities across school to promote a love of reading. Children are welcome to dress up as a character or wear their favourite clothing.

**Learning café**

Our next Maths Café is on Thursday 6th March (also World Book Day) for families of children in Year 2. The children are already talking about it and are excited to have their parents and carers attend. Please remember that there is a £20 Asda voucher for the families who attend. We look forward to seeing you all there. The dates for future learning cafés are below.

**Class news**

After the half term break, Year 4 will start their Outdoor education lessons and Miss Bell has already sent home the information you require. Please ensure you complete and return the consent forms so your child can take part. This is often the highlight of the school year for the children as they take part in many activities they have never tried before.

Year 5 will also start their swimming lessons. All information has been sent home, alongside the consent letter. Please ensure that these are completed so your child can participate. Swimming kit, including a swimming hat should be sent in each Monday – this will begin from the very first day back (Monday 3rd March).

**Parents’ evenings**

Invites to our SEND parents’ evenings have already been sent home and we look forward to talking about your child and sharing their learning experiences. The Eschool platform will open to all other parents (Y1-6) on Monday 3rd March. This will allow you to book a convenient appointment to speak to the class teacher. If you have any problems logging onto the platform, please speak to the school office. Children in Nursery (3 year olds) and Reception class will be sent a Stay and Play invite after half term, so you can come and spend some time with your child and chat to their teacher.

**Mother’s Day event**

Information to request a place at our Mothers’ Day event has been sent home this week. All information you require is on the Microsoft Forms so please complete this to ensure your place is booked. The children love having a parent in school so we look forward to having you here - we know you will enjoy the activities, cup of tea and a bacon bun!

**Vaping**

A polite reminder that we ask parents not to vape on school premises. This is so we can continue to show good role models for our children and to keep the space healthy and clean.

**Uniform**

I know many families may be buying new items of uniform or shoes over half term. I would like to remind you that we do not require school jumpers to have the school logo on them. We are very happy for children to wear the blue jumpers from Asda or other supermarkets which are much cheaper. Please do put children’s names in these as it can be very difficult to reunite items to their owners when they all have very similar ones, without names. Please also remember that school shoes should be plain black. We have noticed an increase in white or colour trainers that do not meet our policy expectations.

Please also ensure that your child brings a PE kit to school. It is important for children to participate in regular exercise and activity to maintain a healthy lifestyle and getting changed into PE kit is an important part of this. Where children regularly do not bring kit to school, we will issue reminders. Where children continue to not bring a kit, they will be asked to wear spare kit we hold in school. This is to ensure children receive their full curriculum entitlement.

**Comic Relief**

We will be raising awareness of the charity ‘Comic Relief’ on Friday 21st March. We are not asking for donations in school, these can be made directly to the comic relief website. Children are welcome to wear their own choice of clothes for the day and will be doing some activities around what the charity does to help others.

Finally, I hope you all have a lovely, well deserved half term break and we look forward to seeing you all on Monday 3rd March. Please remember school doors open at 8:30am and all children must be in school for 8:45am. Lessons start promptly and children not in school on time do miss out on valuable learning.

Joanne Bromley

Head Teacher

**Upcoming diary dates:**

Friday 21st February- School closes for the half term break.

Monday 3rd March- School reopens

Thursday 6th March – Maths learning café -Year 2

Thursday 6th March- World book Day (dress down day)

Monday 10th - Friday 14th March- SEND parents’ evenings (more information to follow).

Monday 10th March- Reception stay and play sessions (more information to follow).

Tuesday 11th March – 3 year old Nursery Stay and Play sessions (more information to follow).

Thursday 13th March- Year 3 visit to St Andrew’s Church for reflection time. (Parents do not need to attend)

Thursday 13th March- Maths learning café -Year 4

Monday 17th- Friday 21st March- Year 1- Year 6 parent’s evenings (more information to follow).

Thursday 20th March- Maths learning café -Year 3

Friday 21st March- Comic Relief dress down day.

Wednesday 26th March- Maths learning café -Year 5

Thursday 27th March- Mother’s Day event. 1.15-2.15pm.

Thursday 3rd April - Maths learning café – Reception Class

Thursday 3rd April- Movie night 3.15-5.30pm

Thursday 10th April- Easter service at St Andrew’s Church- parents welcome. 1.15pm

Friday 11th April- school closes for the Easter break

Monday 28th April – School reopens after Easter break.