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Everyone learning, everyone caring!

Friday 24th March, 2017

Dear Parents,

Clubs

The only clubs operating next week will be Football, Gymnastics, Netball and Fencing. School Clubs will recommence week beginning 24th April 2017. Details and booking forms will be sent home after Easter.

Swimming

There is no swimming next week for Years 3 and 4 as they have completed their course. Year 1 and Year 2 will start swimming each Thursday starting on 27th April 2017.

Lent Challenge

This week we have been thinking about mothers, and parents in general, and how important they are to families. Children have been challenged to write about this and I hope you will be receiving evidence of that. Next week we are focusing on giving and Years 3, 4 and 5 will be giving performances in the Easter concerts on Tuesday afternoon and Wednesday evening. We hope you enjoy their performances. **Please support these efforts by allowing your children to attend the Wednesday evening concert at 6 p.m. even if you are unable to attend yourself.**

Years 3 and 4 West Stow School visit

Years 3 and 4 will be visiting West Stow Anglo Saxon Village near Bury St Edmunds on Friday 5th May 2017. The cost of the visit is £10.20 and full details will be sent home when we return to school after Easter.

National Childhood measurement Programme

Staff from this programme will be in school on Friday 21st April 2017 to measure children in Years R and 6. If you do not wish your child to be measured and have not returned the opt out form to school, please do so before the Easter holiday. Thank you.

Attendance

This week the best attendance was in Year 1 with 100%. Brilliant! Overall attendance last week was 96.1%, which is just about OK. Please note we are not authorising holiday absence except in the most exceptional circumstances. Together with this letter I am sending home an offer from the Co-operative Travel Company (we have a parent who works with them) regarding incentives for parents booking holidays during proper school holiday times. I hope it is of interest.

Class	Attendance
Reception	98%
Year 1	100%
Year 2	94.1%
Year 3	96.9%
Year 4	90.7%
Year 5	98.1%
Year 6	94.8%

Achievement awards

a) **Good to be green**

These children stayed on green all week: Ethan Smith (Reception), Jack Gower, Mason Barnes, Jacob Wilshire, Samuel Barwell, Ebony Whitehead, Thomas Ryan, Lincoln Warden, Oriana Costa, Ethan James, Annabelle Loates, Thien Clare, Ethan Smith (Y6) and Jay McMullen. Well done!

b) **Learning awards**

We awarded certificates for progress in lessons to: Oliver Kent, Joshua Ruff, Ellie-May Mitcham, Marley Doughty, Tyler Barnes, Liam Mitcham and Jess Stoppard. Well done!

c) **Lunchtime awards:** Thien Clare, Fifi Plunkett, Molly Whitby and Fearne Ketteringham. Well done!

d) **Lexia certificates:** Naysa Monteiro, Maya Smith, Grace Clarke and Maddison Doughty. Well done!

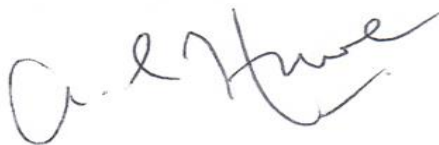
Easter Egg raffle

Miss Beresford in organising an Easter Egg raffle and the draw will take place next Friday in assembly. We need donations of eggs to make this a success. Please send them in to the school office. It would be good to have some non-chocolate eggs as well, for children who cannot eat chocolate. Tickets will be on sale in the playground from Monday 27th March – £1 per strip.

Dates for the diary

- Together with this letter we attach the term and training day dates for next year, 2017 – 18.
- We break up for Easter on Friday 31st March and return to school on Tuesday 18th April 2017.
- Tuesday 28th March at 10 a.m. Easter Service at All Saints Church.
- Easter concerts Years 3, 4 & 5: Tuesday 28th March (afternoon) and Wednesday 29th March (6 p.m.).
- Our MP Stephen Barclay is now visiting on Friday 28th April – he is a busy man and has had to rearrange. We look forward to meeting him then.
- We have a training day scheduled for Monday 26th June 2017. This is the last one of the year.

Yours sincerely,



Headteacher