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Everyone learning, everyone caring!

Friday 11th May, 2018

Dear Parents,

Christian Aid Week 13 – 19th May 2018



Christian Aid has helped people in Haiti feel stronger by helping them to build new homes that can stand up to hurricanes and earthquakes.



We are supporting the work of Christian Aid next week, as they deal with the huge problems of poverty and natural disasters. This fits in well with one of our current Christian values – COMPASSION. The children heard all about it from a Christian Aid worker today in assembly.

1. Children can enter an art **competition** to draw or paint or make a collage of a hurricane or earthquake. There will be prizes for the most colourful and dramatic works of art made at home. There is an entry fee of £1 for this. Have a go! There is a sheet children can use on the back of this newsletter. I will give the children some ideas for this in assembly on Monday. Closing date Monday 21st May.
2. On Friday we will have a “**Big Breaktime**” – we will provide breakfast bars and juice drinks and organize some games outside. Again, we are asking for a little money to support this effort - £1, all for a very good cause!

SATS week

Next week is SATs week for Year 6. Children in Year 2 are also starting their tests. Please ensure that your children are in school for these important assessments. Don't forget we are providing breakfast for Year 6 from 8.15 a.m.

Special Educational Needs consultations

These will take place during the week beginning 21st May, 2018. A separate letter will be sent out to you so that you can make an appointment to meet your child's teacher.

Breakfast Club

If you have booked a place for your child at Breakfast Club and no longer need it please can you call the office to cancel otherwise we may have to charge for the session; we are full on Tuesdays and Thursdays and nearly full the rest of the week and sometimes cannot accept children due to booked places that do not arrive. Thank you for your co-operation.

Attendance

This week the best attendance was in Magpies with 98.66%. Well done!! Overall attendance was a very pleasing 97.22% this week. Overall attendance for the year is creeping up and is now 95.21%. Can we beat last year's 95.59% by the end of the year? 45 days to go – let's have the children here every day, please.

Class		Attendance
Robins	Reception	96.67%
Owls	Year 1	97.5%
Swans	Year 2	94.58%
Magpies	Year 3	98.66%
Kestrels	Year 4	96.48%
Kingfishers	Year 5	98.33%
Eagles	Year 6	98.33%

Achievement awards – these will be carried forward to next week – no achievement worship as we had the Christian Aid assembly instead.

Summer Fete Friday 15th June 3.15 – 6 p.m.

Thank you to the volunteers signed up so far – we have had 4 offers of either donations or help on the day. That is great, but we need more. The fete is always in danger due to lack of people able to volunteer – can you give up an hour or make a useful donation please? We need donations for the tombola, the children's tombola, cakes, plants, and wine. Please complete the slip below if you can help.

Dates for the diary

- Half term week will be Monday 28th May – Friday 1st June.
- Children finish school this year on Friday 20th July.
- Village Fete: Friday 15th June 3.15 – 6 p.m.
- Sports day Wednesday 20th June.
- **Term dates 2018/19**
Autumn term Thursday 6th September – Wednesday 19th December 2018
Half term: Monday 22nd October to Friday 26th October 2018.
Spring term: Monday 7th January – Friday 5th April 2019
Half term: Monday 18th – Friday 22nd February 2019.
Summer term: Wednesday 24th April – Wednesday 24th July 2019.
Half term: Monday 27th May – Friday 31st May 2019.
All training days have already been included.

Yours sincerely,



Headteacher

Village Fete 15th June

Dear Mr Howe,

Yes! I can:

Help on the day

Provide a cake

Make another donation

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Name.....

Contact number.....

Art competition

Your art work should show a hurricane, earthquake, exploding volcano or other natural disaster where Christian Aid may go and help. You can use the frame below or do your own thing!

Name.....

Class.....

House.....

