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Message from the Head..

Dear Parents / Carers,

What a Reading Week we have had! Events have been taking place all week, many of which you have supported. We are very grateful that so many people attended our reading breakfasts, which were lovely events for our school community to experience. I think I might miss the sausage baps for breakfast next week!

There was an amazing range of 'Peg Characters' displayed in the central area of the school on Wednesday. The PTA led this activity, of course, and have provided a £10 book voucher for the 'Best Peg in Show' from each class. These vouchers will be presented in our assembly on Monday, along with the winner of the teacher competition. Thank you to the PTA team for organising this for us, along with the Present Room for 'Mothers and Others', which was also on Wednesday.

On World Book Day itself, it was a delight to see the range of costumes, outfits and props that our children and staff wore to school. I hope your children came home having had a positive day and enjoyed the reading activities they took part in.

In school this week, we have made a big collective effort to improve pupil behaviours before, during and after our assemblies. We had noticed that the standards of our movement around the school, entry to the hall and self-control during assembly had all dropped. I am pleased to say that, with the support of staff, the children have quickly improved their behaviours and set themselves a new, high standard. We believe that our assembly times are periods when we should celebrate the best of life in our community, and we should leave assemblies feeling enriched and positive.

Next week, most of our children will be completing assessments in reading, writing and maths, as we move towards the end of the spring term. These will be delivered in the children's normal classrooms and children should focus on completing them to the best of their abilities. You do not need to do anything different in preparation for this work. The assessments will inform our planning for the summer term, and will support the conversations teachers will have with you during parents' evenings on March 26th and 27th. In cases where we know that children are not accessing the same work as their peers, we will ensure appropriate assessments take place. Should you have any queries, please let me know.

Finally, we would appreciate your support in ensuring children **do not bring chewing gum into school**. Thank you!

With best wishes for the weekend. from Richard Martin and all of the team in school.

Diary Dates...

Mon, 18th March – Years 5 & 6 University Science Lecture (off site).

Wed 20th March – Year 6 SVC Transition Day and visiting our school.

Mon, 25th March – PTA Cake and Pre-Loved Uniform Sale

Tues, 26th March - Parents' Evening #1 - Face-to-face.

Wed, 27th March - Parents' Evening #2 – Online

Friday, 29th March (Good Friday) - PTA Easter Egg Hunt

Easter holidays Friday 29th March – Friday 12th April

Back to school – Monday 15th April

Dates, Reminders & Other Info...

Reminder: Years 5 & 6 Cambridge Festival Lecture – 18th March 2024 – photo permission and payment required.

Attached Newsletter from the EIFA.

