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Dear Parents and Carers

As we come to the end of another week I am delighted to tell you that Governors visited this week and spent time with myself looking at Reading lessons from Year 2 to Year 6. It was absolutely wonderful for the Governors to see how hard the staff have been working. Children were highly engaged and the discussions around the text were very in depth with children sharing thoughtful responses and showing a phenomenal level of maturity. From Year 2 to Year 6 children we run two book talk sessions a week and we are very much hoping that in the near future our reading bus with be stocked with the books the extracts shared in these sessions are taken from. I would particularly like to read 'The Grille' which was shared in Year 6 this week. The book talk lessons will now be rolled out to include our EYFS and Year 1 children in Term 6 and Term 1 of 2024/25.

Reading Bus Project:

We are still on the lookout for any contacts to help with our Reading Bus project. The bus needs wrapping (we are going to hold a design competition with our children) and refurbishment prior to stocking with books for all age groups.

Fundraising Reminder:

Next month Henry in 3W alongside Finley in Year 1 (and of course mum) will be taking part in a sponsored run to raise funds for the Oliver Fisher Neonatal Unit.

In support of this we will be holding a whole school wear something yellow and/or green day on Friday 24^{th} May. Donations to Henry's Just Giving page or to the class teacher would be gratefully received.

The link to the Just Giving page for this event and to find out more about Henry's story is: https://www.justgiving.com/page/cooperfundraising





Mrs Best Marathon:



It was an amazing experience running the London Marathon; it wasn't easy but I did manage to get to the finish line. I would like to thank everybody for taking part in non-school uniform day and/or the Easter raffle and for your very kind donations. The funds raised totalled over £600 which is incredible and is very much appreciated.

Mrs Best

Dates for your diaries:

1st May EYFS Trip to Tyland Barn

3rd May Football Dash (pm)

6th May Bank Holiday - School Closed

7th **May** Crazy Hair Day

10th May Class Photographs (whole school)

Week commencing 13th May KS2 SATS for Year 6

Week commencing 13th May Mock 11+ CATS for Year 5

15th May Reading session with parents for EYFS, Year 1 and Year 2 - details to follow

Week commencing 20th May Whole School Community Week

22nd May Year 1 Theatre Company Visit - Great Fire of London

22nd May Year 2 Trip to Horton Kirby

22nd May PHSE Parents Meeting 9am KS2 Hall

24th May End of Term 5

24th May Wear Yellow or Green day (fundraiser)

3rd June Start of Term 6

4th June until 7th June Year 4 Multiplication Check

7th June EYFS Hearing and Vision Screening (re-tests)

Week commencing 10th June Year 1 Phonics Check

Week commencing 10th June Year 6 PGL France

11th 12th & 13th June Year 3 Rock Day

Week commencing 17th June Year 6 PGL UK

19th June Teddy Bears Picnic for new EYFS children (2024/25 intake) pm

25th June Year 5 Trip to Bewl Water

26th June Year 1 Trip to Port Lympne

3rd July Sports Day (reserve Wednesday 10th July in case of bad weather)

Week commencing 1st July Sports Week

15th July Inclusion Coffee Morning (transition)

18th July Teddy Bear Dash (pm)

22nd July Year 6 Prom

20th July Summer Fayre

23rd July End of Term

 2^{nd} September Start of Term 1 (Academic Year 2024-2025)

Yours sincerely

Mrs A Woolcombe

Headteacher