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Road Safety

Yesterday our Year 5 pupils took part in a Road Safety Theme Day. They used drama to share key messages about how to stay safe in a variety of contexts and shared this with the school and parents at the end of the day. Well done and thank you for sharing such valuable life skills with all of us.

Year 3 Sharing Assembly

This morning we held our first class assembly of the term. I was very impressed with how much the children have learned and how far they have progressed with their Recorder playing. I am sure Mrs Wickens is already planning how we can incorporate the Recorder into a school orchestra.

BLP Awards

Congratulations to the following children who have received awards this half term for the following Learning Powers:

Making Links: Blake Linsley, Charlie Nicholson, Thomas Kelly, Layla Hassan Muldoon, Oliver Leung, Clara Gala.

Determination: Paddy Nevin, Megan Walsh, Nicola Gala, Cian Moore, Liam Haywood, Macey Gibbs

Listening: Harriet Leung, George Dugdale, Isabella Spice, Nnamdi Adigwe, Amber Gee, Harry Grogan

After half term the focus will be kindness and respect. When we return on Monday 20th February, Lesley Williams will be coming to school to lead us through a theme day linked to anti-bullying. At the end of the afternoon, parents are welcome to come and see what the children have been doing in a celebration assembly. This will start at 2:50 and I will ask parents to come to the front of the Hall so that they are not looking at the backs of the children as they did in the last 'Superhero' assembly.

Year 6 Meeting

Thank you to all of the parents (and pupils) who attended the Year 6 SATs info session. Resources that were ordered by the parents have now been distributed. The children will be bringing home some work to do over the half term break and there are also suggestions on the website of other sources for revision for those who wish to do some extra work during the holiday.

Spring Term Dinner Money

Dinner money for the 2nd half term is £70.50. Dinner money must be paid in advance, preferably using Schoolcomms. Alternatively, cheques can be made payable to 'Hertfordshire Catering Ltd'. Your Child's school meal account **must** be kept in credit as we are not allowed to accumulate debt on these school meals. If you do not pay for these meals, you will be asked to provide a packed lunch. Thank you for your support.

After half term, the Gammon meal will be replaced with a Beef meal.

Please also note that the Ash Wednesday choices will be vegetarian.

French and Guitar Lessons

We currently have spaces in both the French and Guitar lessons. If you have a child in Years 3-6 and are interested, please see Mrs Tompkins in the school office for further information.

Lost Property

Every half term we accumulate a large amount of lost property. Most of it is unnamed clothing. After half term the Lost Property box will be outside the school Hall in a labelled storage box. Unclaimed items will be put in the clothing donation bank at the end of each term.



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World Book Day

We will be celebrating World Book Day on Thursday 2nd March. We have usually asked children and staff to come dressed as their favourite book character and that is what has been posted in our diary dates information. This year we are adding another dimension – bring a potato dressed as a book character. Mrs Ansell has created a template of information and this is attached to the newsletter. Children may therefore choose to either come dressed as a character or bring in a potato, or if they are feeling very creative, they are welcome to do both. There will be prizes for the most creative costumes – on children and potatoes.

Mrs Hiller will also be providing some musical entertainment at our morning sharing assembly with the children who are learning to play the violin and piano.

Dates for the SpringTerm:

13.2.17	Half Term
20.2.17	Anti-Bullying Theme Day with Lesley (postponed from Autumn Term)
21.2.17	Year 6 to JFK to see 'Little Shop of Horrors' Fr Derek and Fr Paul in school to celebrate the Sacrament of Reconciliation with the Year 3 First Holy Communion candidates.
23.2.17	Fire Brigade Assembly
28.2.17	Shrove Tuesday
1.4.17	Ash Wednesday
2.3.17	World Book Day – come dressed as a book character or bring a potato decorated/dressed as a book character (information sheet is attached to this newsletter)
7.3.17	Catholic Children's Society Assembly
8.3.17	NSPCC assemblies
10.3.17	Lenten Alms Giving (coins to create fish scales on a fish template)
13.3.17	Science Week
16.3.17	K'Nex Challenge – Year 5 and Year 6
17.3.17	St Patrick's Day Assembly at 9:05
17.3.17	Dacorun Dance Competition
20.3.17	Year 5 and 6 NSPCC workshops
24.3.17	Red Nose Day and Year 4 sharing assembly
27.3.17	Whole staff Lenten Reflection at JFK (4:00)
28.3.17	Parent Consultation Day
31.3.17	Term Ends 1:30 pm
18.4.17	INSET day for all staff (no children)
19.4.17	Children back to school

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