



Dear Parents & Carers

This week finished off with a wonderful class assembly by Chestnut class in which we learnt so much! The assembly started off with a dramatic portrayal of the Battle of Barnet and was followed by further vivid presentations of: the parts of a flower and the story 'The Lost Thing' which was their focus for Book Week. We had kinaesthetic Maths and English in the form of counting in 2s, 5s & 10s as well as a grammar lesson on conjunctions. The whole thing was finished off with a lovely lullaby sung in another language. It was a marvellous assembly showcasing the world of discovery and learning they have been immersed in this term and the delivery was impeccable.

This afternoon has ended with a Danceathon in the Junior playground. The children danced to tunes from the 70s and 80s in their Houses in aid of Sport Relief. Many thanks to all the families who have helped support this very worthwhile cause by sending in donations this morning as well as the funky outfits that many children turned up in.

Yesterday the children attended a Eucharist service at church. We are very lucky to have our church so close by and appreciate the support that Rector Thomas and Curate Adele give the school. Father Thomas will be on sabbatical from after the Easter holiday for six months and so Curate Adele will be our main point of contact with the church during this time.

Next week we are having a Spanish themed day on Tuesday to find out a bit more about Spanish culture and the language which is our new modern foreign language this year. It won't be a dressing up day, however, children in both key stages will experience an assembly, songs and lessons in Spanish all around the theme of *Semana Santa* (Easter Week).

The School Council met with me today and they came up with some useful ideas for the school which we're going to put into place. We're going to have children eating packed lunches and school dinners sitting together; I'm going to talk to our cooks about the fair distribution of seconds; a tool shed for the garden area has been ordered this afternoon so the children's gardening tools can be put away safely. They have also requested that plants are brought in after Easter for the plant boxes in House colours. We've always appreciated these contributions before and so if you are able to donate any plants, they'd be very welcome.

If I don't see you before, I hope that you have a very relaxing Easter break and that finally we'll have some warm sunny weather to enjoy!

Miss Froud

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## Giving

Thank you so much for your generous giving over the past few weeks. We have raised £993.70 for Book Week and £141.65 today for Sport Relief. These are two wonderful amounts and will make a real difference to our school community and in the case of Sport Relief to worldwide communities who benefit from our financial help.

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## Photo Permission Letter

Please return the photo permission letter (salmon coloured paper) as soon as possible next week.

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## Uniform

Pupils wear summer uniform after the Easter holiday unless the weather is still very chilly. Year 6 parents should note that their children will need to wear winter uniform at the Leavers' Service on the penultimate day of term.

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## Holidays

A reminder that school is closed for pupils on Friday 30<sup>th</sup> March – Monday 16<sup>th</sup> April (inclusive). We break up on Thursday 29<sup>th</sup> at the usual pick up time and children return on Tuesday 17<sup>th</sup> April.

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## Music Assembly

A reminder that we have a music assembly on Monday 26<sup>th</sup> March at 9.00am.

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## Newsletter

Please note, due to the reduced number of school days next week, the next newsletter will be issued the first Friday back after the break – Friday 20<sup>th</sup> April.

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## Star Pupils

Willow - Rosie  
Chestnut - Sophia  
Beech - Minnie  
Cedar - Alex  
Oak - Chrystian

