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Dear Parents/Carers

Important Dates next week:

- Monday 12th March - Class 5S visit to St Martin in the Fields Church, morning only
- Thursday 15th March - Class 5P visit to St Martin in the Fields Church, morning only
- Wednesday 14th March - Class 5/6M Assembly, Parents of children in 5/6M are welcome to attend.
- Friday 16th March - Class 5/6M visit to St Martin in the Fields Church, morning only

Parents' Meetings with Teachers

Details of this term's parents meetings were sent out last week together with an appointment slip. Please remember to complete and return the slip to your child's class teacher, if you have not already done so.

The dates and times are as follows:

- Wednesday 21st March, 4.30 – 7.00 pm - All year groups
- Thursday 22nd March, 3.30 – 6.00 pm - All year groups

School News

- Reception and KS1 performed beautifully during their Mother's Day Assembly today. We hope all those that attended enjoyed it and that you all have a relaxing day on Sunday.
- The 'Stivichall Does Strictly' event, held in school on Monday evening was a great success and we would like to take this opportunity to say thank you to the parents who attended and whom have already supported the event. Thank you to the parents who helped with makeup and hair and also the PTA for providing the refreshments. This is what Jackie Fallon, dance instructor and organiser had to say about the event:

'I would just like to say a big thank you to everyone who supported and worked with us to make the Zoe's Place Strictly Stivichall event a success. You should be very proud of your children who were a joy to teach and each member of our committee commented on how well behaved and attentive they were. I thoroughly enjoy watching the transformation of the children into little performers, but more importantly into little fundraisers thinking of others less fortunate than themselves.'

As a final fundraiser for this charity, chosen by the Pupil Leadership team and following on from an assembly led by a Zoe's Place representative, the children will be bringing home a 'Paws for Thought' donation card. Children have been asked to do a series of good deeds to help other people and be sponsored with £1 coins. This activity also supports the School's Values which are promoted and shared with the children on a daily basis. There is no expectation for you to complete the whole card. Any donation would be gratefully received with 100% of all monies going direct to the hospice. Thank you for your continued support.

- Thank you to all those that attended the Reading Meetings yesterday. We hope you found them useful. The resources shared with parents during the meeting will be available to view on the school website.

Important Dates coming up!

- Monday 19th – Thurs 22nd March - Book Fair in school
- Wednesday 21st March - Reception classes vision screening
- Monday 26th March - Judging of Easter Competition
- Tuesday 27th March, 9.30am & 6.00pm - Year 4 and 5 Mary Poppins Jr performances
- Wednesday 28th March, 2.15 pm - Reception, Year 1 and 2 Spring Walk
- " " " 2.45 pm - Year 3 – 6 House Cross Country Event
- " " " - Last day of term
- Thursday 29th March - Teacher Training Day, school closed for children

Book Fair

Thank you to all those that have offered their help to run the book fair week commencing 19th March, your support is much appreciated. If you are able to offer to help, even if only for half an hour, please complete the reply slip sent home last week or contact the school office. Thank you.

Year 6 Dol-Y-Moch Residential Visit

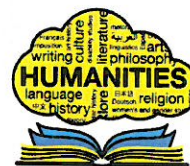
A reminder that the final payment is due on or before Monday 26th March. Please send payment in, together with savings card if paying by cheque, to the school office by this date. Alternatively, please pay via your ParentPay account. Thank you.

Humanities Corner: Every week there will be a Humanities question for you to share and solve with your children. The answer to last week's question is given below. We hope you got it right!

Last week's question:

What is the capital of Germany?

Berlin



This week's question:

Which country is Madrid the capital of?

Year 4 and 5 Mary Poppins Jr

Ticket order forms have been sent home with children today. Please send your ticket requests in as soon as possible. Tickets will be sent home next week and any extras, if available, can be obtained from the school office on **Monday 26th March**.

The PTA will be serving refreshments at both performances and we thank them for offering to do so.

We are looking for the following items to use as props: a plain black umbrella with a straight handle, a large 'carpet' bag, a wooden hat stand and a tea trolley. If you have any of these items at home and are willing to lend them, we would be very grateful.

Easter Competition

As usual, as part of the lead up to Easter we will be running an Easter egg competition. Children can decorate an egg or design an egg poster if they wish to take part. The theme this year is Winter Olympics. All entries need to be clearly labelled with name and class and brought into school on Monday 26th March for judging. Please do not send eggs in before this date. Prizes will be awarded in each phase for the most creative entries.

Time for the children to start thinking and planning. What will their egg look like?

Sport Relief

The school is not able to actively support this event this due to all other fundraising events we are involved in throughout the academic year.

We hope that Stivichall parents and the wider community will support Sport Relief via other promotional outlets. However, we would be interested to hear about any events children have organised outside of school and share their achievements via the newsletter.

Please visit the following website with your children and discuss the importance of how, why and where all the monies raised from this fundraising event are used:

- <https://www.sportrelief.com/>
- <http://www.bbc.co.uk/programmes/articles/4G27S7NS1jLf0pzBCVpPrrS/sport-relief-2018>

Music and Dinner Money Payments

Please send in any outstanding music invoice payments by **Monday 12th March**.

A polite reminder that dinner money should be paid in advance, either weekly, monthly or half-termly. Please pay via your ParentPay account. Alternatively, your child can put any cheque payments into their class box on a Monday morning which will be then be sent to the office.

Milk Order for Reception, Year 1 and 2

Letters have been sent home today to order milk for next term. Please return any orders by **Monday 19th March**. Thank you.

Yours sincerely

Mrs K Ferguson
Head Teacher