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Dear Parents/Carers

The school breaks up today and reopens on **Monday 16th April**. I would like to wish you and your families a happy and enjoyable Easter holiday.

Important Dates

- School re-opens Monday 16th April
- Monday 7th May – Bank Holiday

Important Dates for the first week of Summer Term:

- Wednesday 18th April – Forest School session for: Class R1 and Class 6P
- All week – Year 6 Mock SATs

KS1 Spring Walk and KS2 House Cross Country

It was disappointing to have to cancel these events today but the earlier rain fall had left the grounds unsafe for 300 children to participate. However, equally annoyingly, the unpredictable weather this afternoon decided to prove us wrong again! We will be looking to reschedule the event next term.

Sports News

- Two teams took to the start line for Stivichall at the Coventry Schools Boys' Cross Country Championships on Saturday 24th March. The A team, represented by Dougie, Joshua, Owen, Alfie, Raman and Charlie put in an amazing performance, finishing a well-deserved 2nd place just behind Bablake. A special well done to Dougie as he took 7th place overall in what was an outstanding effort. Not to be outdone, the B team finished an impressive 8th, with Louis leading the Stivichall team as he finished 14th closely followed by Harry, Matthew, Harvir, Aidan, Connor and Callum.

Mary Poppins Jr Production

The children gave practically perfect performances to an audience of nearly 400 spectators. Well done to all of the children involved from Years 4 and 5, who delighted us with their singing and exceptional acting. Special thanks to all the staff involved for their hard work, the PTA for serving refreshments at both performances and to both Mrs Northmore and Mrs Laye who kindly volunteered to help with scenery and make up.

Thank you to all those that attended and completed the comment cards. Here are a couple for you to read:

'A fantastic performance, a credit to the staff and all the children.'

'What a fantastic performance! Absolutely brilliant, thoroughly enjoyed it! Well done everyone!'

'Really enjoyed the show, I thought it would be too ambitious but the children were superb including the stage hands. 10/10'

Gifted and Talented Pupils

Has your son or daughter passed an exam, received an accreditation or been selected for an opportunity in recognition of exceptional talent, that we might not know about? If so, we would love to hear all about it! Please send the information in within a sealed envelope - along with copies of photographs or certificates if you wish - for the attention of Mrs Miller. We will assume that you are happy for this information to be included within a book of celebration, available for the school community and visitors to enjoy looking through, unless stated otherwise.

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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!

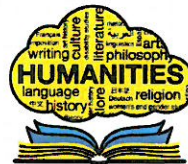
Last week's question:

Which sea separates Europe from Africa?

The Mediterranean

This week's question:

Which desert covers most of Northern Africa?



Easter Egg Competition

We had some fantastic entries for this competition with some interesting and creative designs on the theme of 'Winter Olympics'. It was obvious that the children had worked very hard. The winners and runners up in each phase were:

Phase	Winner	Runner Up
EYFS	Daisy B., R2	Hadrial K., R3
KS1	Lily S., 1P	Alfie B., 2P
Year 3 & 4	Jack F., 3/4M	Georgia H.J., 3P
Year 5 & 6	Joshua K., 5/6M	No runner up

An Easter egg has been presented to each of the winners and you can view some of the entries on the website and twitter. All children that took part also received a little Easter treat.

Attendance

Well done to all those children who have 100% attendance this term. Stickers will be awarded the first week back after Easter.

Year 6 Dol-y-Moch Residential Visit

A reminder that the final payment is now due. Payment can be made via your ParentPay account or cheque into the school office. Thank you.

Stivichall Fun Club – Sports Relief Fundraiser

The children at fun club baked and sold cakes in aid of Sports Relief last week, raising £90 in total. Great effort - well done everyone.

Zoe's Place Baby Hospice Fundraising

A kindly reminder that the children have been asked to complete the 'Paws for Thought' donation cards sent home a few weeks ago over the Easter holidays. 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. We hope the children will actively take part over the coming weeks and into the Easter holidays. All sponsorship money should be brought into school by Monday 23rd April.

Well done to all those that have already sent in their completed sponsorship cards and thank you for your support.

Yours sincerely

Mrs K Ferguson
Head Teacher