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Dear Parents and Carers,

We've had another busy half-term but one which has been interrupted on several occasions by the poor weather. Several sporting events and even the Cinema night have been postponed and rescheduled.

Parking

As you know the parking situation around our local roads means that there are issues finding somewhere to leave the car at the beginning and end of the day. I would like to remind you that when parking please be thoughtful of our neighbours and do not block the driveways. Problems have been reported in Bowling Green Lane recently with many vehicles blocking the road. I have been passed the registration details of some of those being inconsiderate and may write to individual parents in the future if required. Thank you in advance for your help.

School Council

To celebrate **World Book Day** the school council would like to invite all pupils (and staff) to dress-up for the day as a favourite book character. This will take place on **Friday 8th March**.

Then on **Friday 15th March** there will be a dress-down day raising money for **Comic relief**. We would encourage all the children to **wear something red** to mark the occasion. We would also like to hold a cake sale which will take place in the afternoon. Please bring your wonderful cake creations into school on the day – we hope to offer prizes to the most imaginative!

News in brief (more on Twitter)

January

- 8th Y3/4 boys' indoor football at Trinity school
- 14th Y5 Meet the stinkers (Health campaign)
- 15th Welcome time
- 15th Netball Match vs Bradfield Primary
- 28th KS1 Stay and Read Session

February

- 4th Year 5/6 Evacuation day
- 5th Netball match vs Theale Primary
- 6th KS1 Stay and Read Session
- 7th Harry Potter Book Night
- 8th Y5/6 boys' football vs Birch Copse
- 11th Year 5 Languages day at Denefield

Parents' forum

Our next Parents' Forum will be tomorrow, **Wednesday 13th February 2019**, at 7.30pm. We will be discussing Fundraising, the role of the Governors and 'Shared learning'.

The 7 Habits of Happy Children by Sean Covey

For our assemblies over the last three weeks I have been sharing seven different stories about a group of animal friends living in America. I hope that your children have been able to explain the purpose behind each story and how they can link to making their own lives happier. I have attached a brief outline of each habit for you to share again with your children.

Staffing update

Following a rigorous interview process I am pleased to be able to inform you that the Governors have appointed **Miss Penn** as our new **Deputy Headteacher**. She will remain the Year 1 teacher with Mrs Straker and Mrs Maggs continuing to provide cover. I am looking forward to working alongside Miss Penn when she takes up the role officially after the half-term break.

The half-term break starts on **Friday 15th February** when school finishes at the normal time of 3.15pm.

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to be 'P. Thorne', written in a cursive style.

Mr. P. Thorne,
Headteacher



IMPORTANT DATES **2018-19**



Welcome time (3.15pm – 3.45pm)

- Spring Term – Tuesday 15th January 2019
- Summer Term – Thursday 6th June 2019

Parents' Meetings

- Spring Term – Tuesday 23rd April 2019 (All day – please note this is an INSET day)

Parents' Forum

- Spring Term – Wednesday 13th February 2019 7.30pm
- Summer Term – Thursday 9th May 2019 7.30pm

'Class assembly' to Parents

- Year 3 – Wednesday 13th February 2019 at 2pm
- Year 4 – Tuesday 19th March 2019 at 2pm
- Year 5 - w/b 8th July 2019

Scout, walk or ride weeks – 4th March 2019, 10th June 2019

Sports Day -Wednesday 26th June 2018, Infants am, Juniors pm (Reserve day Friday 28th June)

'Meet the teacher' evening – Wednesday 19th June 2019

Transition week/Class swap - week beginning 1st July 2019 (For Year 6 moving to Year 7 and all classes in school)

Leavers' Assembly and BBQ- Tuesday 23rd July 2019 6.30pm