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Dear Parents and Carers,

A big well done to Miss Bowden's and Mrs. Dennis' classes for getting the highest attendance this week. The children in these classes can wear their own clothes the first Friday after half term.

It's been another busy and exciting week at school, filled with memorable experiences for our pupils.

As we approach the end of the half term, it's time to reflect on a busy and exciting week. We've had a wonderful time celebrating, learning, and coming together as a school community.

This week, to mark Children's Mental Health Week, each year group took part in our very own 'WellFayre' event, where they spent time exploring their sense of belonging. Through various activities, our students reflected on how they connect with others, understand their feelings, and support their mental well-being. It was fantastic to see such enthusiasm and creativity in every year group as they engaged in activities that nurtured self-awareness and kindness.

On Monday evening, we hosted our Valentine's Disco, and what a night it was! The children had an absolute blast dancing the night away, enjoying some fun-filled moments with their friends. A big thank you to everyone who helped make the night such a success!

This week, Reception and Year 1 students took part in Bikeability sessions, where they developed their cycling skills. The children showed great determination and improvement. It's always exciting to see the progress they make in these practical lessons. Well done to all the children who participated!

On Thursday, we celebrated Chinese New Year with a range of exciting activities. It was lovely to see so many families join us on the playground as the staff acted out the Chinese zodiac animal story. The children loved the interactive performance and learned so much about the traditions behind this special celebration. In addition, Year 5 and Year 6 were lucky enough to visit a local Chinese restaurant, where they enjoyed tasting new foods (and lots of chicken nuggets and chips!) and learning more about Chinese culture. It was a fantastic experience for everyone involved!

Upcoming Events & Reminders

- Toast Payments on Evolve: After the half term break, payments for toast at breaktime will be made through the Evolve system. You should have received a separate letter with more information about this.
- Parents' Evening: When we return from half term, we'll be holding Parents' Evenings. We look forward to welcoming you to discuss your child's progress. If you haven't already booked an appointment,

please see your child's class teacher as soon as possible. Please note that ALL clubs will be cancelled on these evenings.

- Back to School: We look forward to welcoming all the children back on Monday, 23rd February.
- For those children who attend Soft Start in a morning this is a reminder about the change of room from Monday 23rd February 2026

We hope you all have a restful and enjoyable half term break! Thank you for your ongoing support, and we can't wait to see everyone back after the half term break.

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Tuesday 24 th February 2026	Parent's Evening – face to face – ALL clubs cancelled
Wednesday 25 th February 2026	Parent's evening – phone calls – ALL clubs cancelled
Wednesday 4 th March 2026	Holi Festival – Reception class
Wednesday 4 th – Tuesday 10 th March 2026	Book Fair after school – please note that this is a change of date from what was on the World Book Day letter
Thursday 5 th March 2026	WORLD BOOK DAY
Thursday 12 th March 2026 Thursday 12 th March 2026	Reception – Mother's Day Coffee Morning (am) Y1 – Mother's Day Afternoon Tea (pm)
Friday 13 th March 2026 Friday 13 th March 2026	Mother's Day Market Reception trip to Windmill Farm
Tuesday 17 th March 2026 Tuesday 17 th March 2026	Y5 trip to Turton Towers Y1 trip to Blackpool Zoo
Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday & Thursday 23 rd , 24 th , 25 th & 26 th March 2026	Tom Gradwell – Family & Individual photos
Friday 27 th March 2026	Y2 Trip to London
Monday 30 th March 2026 Monday 30 th March 2026	Easter Fayre Easter Bingo
Wednesday 1 st April 2026	Break for Easter. Finish at 2.00pm

ATTENDANCE CLASS	ATTENDANCE % This week
Rec1	99.3
Rec2	90.7
Year 1D	95.9
Year 1N	95.3
Year 2B	100
Year 2H	99.3
Year 3A	98.7
Year 3S	95
Year 4D	99.3
Year 4R	98.3
Year 5M	95
Year 5R	98.7
Year 6K/S	96.6
Year 6L/W	96.4

