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Dear Parents/Carers

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Half term is so very nearly here – I hope you all enjoy your rest and relaxation! I would like to officially welcome all the children that have started with us this half term and we hope you settle in and are very happy here.

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I would also like to thank those parents and staff who kept going with their parents evening appointments when the lights went out last week! Who knew mobile phone torches could be put to such good use? I was very proud of my staff for just carrying on regardless - It really was 'Keep Calm and Carry On'!

David Fuller

On 29th January, the author David Fuller came in to take assembly and to talk about his latest book in the football-mad Alfie Jones series of books. The children loved the assembly during which David read out a chapter from the book and yellow class acted it out!



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FPTA AGM

Further notice is given that the FPTA Annual General Meeting will take place in school at 7.00pm on **Wednesday 21st February** 2018. Agenda items include re-election of current committee members, election of new committee members and a review of the last year of fundraising events.

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Several key members of the committee have resigned, so if you would like to help us raise money for our school then please see one of our current committee members or pop into the school office.

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In these current financially dire times, we need every penny we can raise to support our school. So please, if you can spare some time to help, then please volunteer!

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Glue Sticks



Did you know that as a school we spend approximately £500 each year on glue sticks alone? That's a LOT of glue! We are looking at fun or new ways of raising money simply for this essential item so watch this space!

Reading Achievements

Thanks to our reading challenge we now have lots of children who are receiving certificates for their brilliant reading. Well done! We currently have 50 children who have read at least 5,000 words this term, 25 who have read 25,000 and 8 children who have read over 75,000. Special mention should go to Rachel & Louise in blue class who have read over 250,000 words so far this term! Brilliant!

As a direct result of this initiative, we have children who are choosing to read at break times and we have designated the memorial as a 'reading space'. We have also noticed that our number of quizzes taken has also gone up.



For those children who are not yet on our accelerated reader scheme, please keep an eye open for our 'Gruffalo Trail' which will be introduced after half term.

E-Safety Evening

Thank you to all those parents that came along to the e-safety presentation on Monday 5th Feb. All our parents said how useful it was, in that it made them aware of things to watch for when children access the internet.



Parents Evening

Yellow class parents evenings have been provisionally scheduled for Tuesday 30th February and Thursday 1st March 2018. Unless we have already spoken, appointments have been kept for the same times as previously. If you wish to change your appointment with Mr Flaxbeard, please log in to the parents evening system to do so. Please also note that changes are subject to availability and first come first served.

Kind regards

Mark McCadden
HEADTEACHER

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Dates For your Diary:

February 2018

- 9th INSET day (Friday)
- 12th Start of half term
- 19th First day back after half term
- 20th Hockey Tournament
- 26th Start of FairTrade Fortnight

March 2018

- 2nd World Book Day
- 9th Green Class school trip
- 13th Orange Class school trip (returning to school at 4.00pm)
(Provisional)
- 22nd Little Big Sing
- 29th End of Term

April 2018

- 16th INSET DAY (Monday)
- 17th First day back to school

May 2018

- 9th Class Photographs
- 14th Start of SATS week
- 28th Start of Half Term