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Dear Parents,

Welcome back to the new school term! I hope you all enjoyed a lovely, sunny Easter break. We have all returned to school excited about all of the exciting opportunities that lie ahead for this term. The term's date's list is attached to this newsletter.

Our first exciting event of the term has already happened; we unveiled our wonderful new play castle to the children on Tuesday. We kept this as a surprise for them and they really were very surprised! The redevelopment of the area outside the school hall was funded by the National Lottery and some of your previous donations to the school. It looks incredible and the children love using it. I asked them to say the word that popped into their head when they'd seen it – "wow" "Awesome" "A great improvement" "Well done" "Amazing". I'm sure the children have told you about it but I would like to offer you the chance to see it at our official grand opening on Friday 5th May at 9am – please drop off any donations for the Bluebell Fair and then stay for 10 minutes to see the castle and celebrate with us as we open it.

JSA Bluebell Fair

Thank you for all of the hard work that is going on behind the scenes currently in preparation for the fair. A volunteer sign-up sheet is displayed in the playground. Please also look out for the colouring competition that has been sent home in the book bag today.

Dropmore Country Dancing

In anticipation of the annual Country Dancing performances this summer, we are asking if any parents are able to help refresh the dancing skirts? Many of the elastic bands around the waists need replacing. Please contact the school office if you feel you can help. Thank you.

Water bottles

Please can we ask that your child comes to school in the morning with a water bottle filled with fresh drinking water. Running around in the warmer weather is thirsty work!

Bumped heads

Following recent First Aid training we are reviewing all of our First Aid practices in school. If your child sustains a bump or bang to the head we are duty bound to inform you at the time of it happening. In most cases this is just to let you know, but in some cases we may feel you need to come to school and review your child. Please do not be alarmed if you receive a phone call. At all times we follow our First Aid training and Health and Safety systems.

Best wishes,

Mrs Bancroft
Headteacher



This week's Well Done
Certificates

Amelia (Class R) - For a fantastic start to school life.

Finley (Class R) - For a fantastic start to school life.

Lewis (Class 1) - For great retelling of The Three Little Pigs using a story map.

Rosa (Class 1) - For consistently working hard in all lessons and being a kind and polite member of the class.

Poppy (Class 2) - For a fantastic, positive attitude towards maths.

Rehaan (Class 2) - For great independent focus in maths activities.

Next Week's Learning

Year R

Literacy: Retelling *George and the Dragon* and *The Three Little Pigs*! What would you do to trick the wolf?

Maths: Scaly patterns.

Special Requests/Messages: With all the huffing and puffing we will need some drinking straws. Donations appreciated. Also, to help with our topic 'People Who Help Us', if anyone has a job that they would like to talk to us about, please see Mrs Turkington.

Year 1

Literacy: *The Gingerbread Man* - describing characters and settings, planning and writing our own version of the story.

Maths: Adding various amounts, solving money problems and calculating change.

Special Requests: Please could you ask all Year 1 parents to send their child in with a box (such as an adult size shoe box), no later than Friday 28th April.

Year 2

Literacy: We will be continuing to delve into the events leading up to 'The Day The Crayons Quit' and writing our letters as if we were Duncan's crayons. We will be trying to include some of the 4 different sorts of sentences (statements, commands, exclamations and questions). See if your child can tell you what they are - maybe you could find some in your books at home.

Maths: Working in pairs or on our own to answer lots of different mathematical questions, focusing on multiplication/ division and 2d/ 3d shape. We will also be revising our addition and subtraction strategies to help us solve word problems.

Special Requests/Messages: none