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Dear Parents and Carers,

I hope you all had an enjoyable half-term break. This term is very busy so please keep a note in your diary of the events coming up. I have also updated the key dates section below to include events in the summer term so you can plan accordingly. World Book Day, was a wonderful event yesterday! We hope the children enjoyed themselves. Thank you to all of you too, for all the hard work sourcing and making costumes and embracing the day.

I would like to take this opportunity to remind and urge you all to walk with your children at the end of the school day, not let them run ahead of you. As you are aware, we have a number of children with mobility issues, along with both very young siblings and older vulnerable grandparents at pick up. In recent days there have been a number of *near misses* when people have almost been knocked over by children running around the school. One of our rules, which the children know and are expected to follow, is to not run around the school because it is unsafe and others may get hurt.

I ask for your assistance on this matter please, ensuring your child/ren always walk with you on the way out of school.

**Miss K Aldred - Headteacher**

#### Attendance Matters

We have been talking with the children about why it is so important to attend school every day. Our children are busy learning right from the start of the day, so being in class on time each morning matters just as much too. Registration begins at 8:50am and we expect all children to be in class by then. A copy of our attendance policy can be found [here](#)

#### School Lunches

If your child is currently bringing a packed lunch to school can I remind you that the lunch should be a healthy, balanced meal. We are seeing increasing amounts of chocolate and sweets being sent in. You may not be aware that we have a number of children with severe allergies and as such, we are a **nut free school**. Please check what you are sending to school is safe for everyone.

There is some very helpful advice on the NHS *Better Health, Healthier Families* website regarding packed lunch ideas [here](#)

Finally, please remember we do not permit children to swap from school dinner to packed lunch on different days. Should your child no longer want the school dinner we ask that you inform us, via email and you provide a packed lunch every day.

#### Key Dates

06/03	World Book Day
21/03	FOBSA Quiz Night
04/04	Last day of term (normal pick up)
22/04	Inset Day – School closed to children
23/04	School re-opens to children
05/05	May Bank Holiday (School closed to children)
23/05	Last day of term (normal pick up)
	<b>26/5- 30/5 Half-term</b>
02/06	Inset day (School closed to children)
03/06	School reopens to children
27/06	Annual reports sent to parents and carers
30/06	Open afternoon (details to follow)
08/07	Sports Day (afternoon) (details to follow)
21/07	Year 2 Leaves Disco (details to follow)

Full term dates can be found [here](#)

#### FOBSA Update

The FOBSA annual Quiz night is fast approaching! If you have not yet done so, there is still time to book tickets for 21<sup>st</sup> March. Full details can be found [here](#)

Thank you very much to everyone for returning smarties tubes full of money! If you have not yet returned yours, please do so asap.

Finally, FOBSA recently sent out some information regarding their Easter Treasure Hunt. This is always a very popular event so please book as soon as possible, if your child (and you) would like to take part. Whatever the weather, this event will take place so please come prepared! Full details can be found [here](#)