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Dear Parents / Carers,

Attendance

Our attendance for the spring term so far is as follows:

Class	Reception	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4	Year 5	Year 6
% Attendance Since September	92%	94.2%	94.7%	95.3%	96.3%	97.4%	95.4%
% Attendance For Spring Half Term	93.4%	94.4%	94.8%	95.2%	95.7%	96.2%	93.8%

Our attendance for the spring term so far has risen to 94.7% and it is now 95% since September. Thank you for your support.

Easter Egg Painting Competition



We are holding our annual Easter egg painting competition on Wednesday 2nd April. The children can decorate an egg at home and bring their eggs to school. We will display all the eggs in the school corridors and you are welcome to have a look at them before you pick your children up at home time. Prizes will be awarded to the best eggs in each class.

Tea Towels

We still have a number of the children's tea towels left that would make a lovely present for Mothers' Day. Two designs are available; one with Nursery and Reception class portraits and the other with the children from Year 1 to Year 6. The tea towels will be sold on a first come first served basis from the school office costing £4.00.



World Book Day

World Book Day was a huge success in school. It was great to see everyone dressed in their pyjamas and onesies. I would like to thank all parents for supporting the event and raising the profile of reading in school.



Medication

I would like to remind parents of our medicine in school policy. Whilst it is preferable for medication to be given at home, we recognise that there are times when medicines may need to be administered in school. However, wherever possible parents/carers should ask the doctor if the administration can occur outside school hours.

All medicines must be brought to the school by parents or another adult and handed personally to the headteacher or another member of staff. We are unable to send home any medication with a child.

Parents will be asked to give written authorisation for the school to administer the medicine. All essential medicines will be stored in our lockable medicine cupboard. Where medicines need to be stored at low temperature they must be sent to school in a sealed plastic container with a lid and they will be stored in the refrigerator. Please note we are only able to administer medicines prescribed by a doctor in school.

Sport Relief



In order to raise money for Sport Relief, we would like the children to come dressed in 'sporty clothes' (football strips, tracksuits etc.) this Friday. The children will also be taking part in various fun activities including a 'Just Dancethon' and a fun run. We would be grateful if the children could contribute £1.00 to take part. There will also be a penalty shootout against Mr Knighton & Mr Lockey for a further 50p donation.

Class Assemblies

The dates for our spring term class assemblies are as follows:

Reception Class	Friday 28 th March
Year 1	Friday 21 st March
Year 2	Friday 4 th April

All assemblies will start at 9.10 am. We hope you are able to attend your child's assembly and we look forward to seeing you on the above dates.

Dates for your Diaries

Monday 24 th March	Parents' Evening
Friday 4 th April	School closes for Easter Holidays
Monday 12 th May	Year 6 SATs week
Monday 9 th June	Year 6 residential trip to Howtown
Monday 23 rd June	Year 5 residential trip to Robin Hood's Bay

Thank you for your continued support.

Andrew Knighton
(Headteacher)