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Dear Parents/Carers,

We are proud to be taking part in **Fairtrade fortnight** which begins next **Monday 27<sup>th</sup> February!** To help promote this event we are planning a range of activities to help develop the children's and your awareness of the work of Fairtrade. So please take time to read all about our exciting plans below.

### Fairtrade Poster Competition!

The competition is open to all children and it is simply to design a poster that **helps to promotes Fairtrade**. We do not want to limit the children's creativity on this so they can make the poster any size and use any medium they want to use (e.g. felt tips, crayons or they could even collage wrappers on to their poster). All children will be offered a blank piece of A4 paper to take home from school to design their poster on if they wish. However if they prefer to use other paper/materials that they have at home then that is fine. Please make sure the poster has your **child's full name** and **class name** on it! The winners of the poster competition will be **awarded a certificate and a small prize!** The **deadline** for entries is **Friday 9<sup>th</sup> March 2017**.

We will also be holding a **Fairtrade Hamper raffle** in the second week – starting on **Monday 6<sup>th</sup> March**- all the money raised will go to the Fairtrade foundation. So please watch out for when the tickets go on sale – we are certainly hoping for our stall to be **noticeable** this year! Remember the more tickets you buy the more chance you have of winning and the more money raised for a good cause.

### Fairtrade wrappers/stickers

Please could you also bring in any Fairtrade wrappers or stickers (from bananas etc.) that you no longer want as we are planning to create a school collage – with each class collaging a little section to help with the overall display.

### Fairtrade Baking

One of the suggestions made through school council was that we should bake with Fairtrade goods so some time over the fortnight all classes will be baking using Fairtrade ingredients. Some classes are planning to sit and share the results together as a class whilst discussing how buying Fairtrade has helped others. This will

go alongside this year's theme which is about having a Fairtrade break – i.e. trying to have Fairtrade drinks and snacks when you stop for a break.

We aim to teach the children that because the parents who farm or work for Fairtrade earn better wages, they can afford to give their children an education and healthcare as many countries are not lucky enough to have these resources for free like we do in the UK. This helps them to know how by making simple shopping choices we can make a big difference.

We are hoping that over Fairtrade fortnight you will **develop some shopping habits** that will help to **change people's lives for the better**. Hopefully you will notice in the shops a whole range of products from bananas to wine. Sometimes buying Fairtrade is no more expensive than buying a non-Fairtrade item – so you do not have to worry that it will always cost you more. The quality of the product is also often the same or sometimes **even better!** Hopefully your children will become keyed in to helping you spot the **Fairtrade logo** and you can then decide if you are able to make a worthwhile choice with your spending.

So to summarise over Fairtrade Fortnight we will be holding a **poster competition**, offering you the chance to win a **Fairtrade hamper**, **baking Fairtrade cakes** and creating a **Fairtrade collage** (please bring in **Fairtrade wrappers/stickers**).

**Thanks** for your support with this!

**Please** also continue to **support our recycling campaigns**.

Remember through our **Terracycle** campaigns we can recycle **all Tassimo products, Kenco Eco refill bags, any brand of biscuit wrappers, any type of pen including felt tips and highlighters and household cleaning spray trigger heads**. So far we have raised a staggering **£662** just by recycling these items! So please, please **continue the good work** on sending these items in.

**A big thank you** goes to our governor and eco-team member **Mrs Goodyear**, who helps to sort out all our terracycle goods and makes sure that they get packaged and sent off correctly.

Please continue to send in your old glasses for vision aid and stamps for RNIB. **All items** for recycling can be given to your class teacher or **placed** in the **green recycling box opposite the office**. **The Terracycle items** can also be placed in the **special Terracycle wheelie bin** at the front of school – please do not place any ordinary rubbish in this bin, as it is not pleasant for the person sorting out the genuine recycling!

Thank you for supporting us - happy future collecting!

The Eco Team

