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Dear parents,

### **PE Activity Day**

Trust us to pick the hottest day of the year so far for our PE activity day! The children were split into houses and did two half hour sessions of speed bounces, basketball, javelin and football skills. They all enjoyed themselves and made a real effort to raise as much money as they could. Their taking part certificates are being sent home today. Please could you send the sponsor form and money in as soon as possible after half term, thank you. Look out for some photos on the school website!

### **Lime Class Village Study**

Lime Class have told me that they had an interesting walk around Horspath focusing on mapping the village, sketching the church and carrying out a traffic survey. They were not surprised to find out that cars are the most frequent road users, followed closely by vans but were surprised by the low number of pedestrians.



### **Courage**

Our value for the rest of the term is COURAGE to coincide with the Christian celebration of Pentecost. We will be talking about moving on to new classes or new schools, taking on new challenges, resilience, making mistakes and learning from them, being brave enough to do the right thing, overcoming fear and encouraging others.

### **Swimming Kit**

An appeal for any spare boys swimming trunks for our spare kit supplies please.

## Surveys

Thank you for all of the responses to the reading survey and the surveys we ran earlier this year. In the next newsletter, I will report back to you on what we have done so far and what we intend to do next year in response to your feedback.

## Snapshot reports

I have closed the access for the online reports now so that teachers can make changes ready for the end of year annual reports. **Please keep hold of those usernames and passwords for next time!**

## Manchester terrorist attack

We have given the older children time to talk about the Manchester terrorist attack in their classes this week. We have answered the children's questions as sensitively as we can and reinforced the importance of caring for others without prejudice. In younger classes the teachers shared a prayer with the children. We have all been touched by the thoughtful comments and questions from the children.

If your child has any questions or is anxious, please let us know if we can help. The NSPCC has a phone number for support and some useful advice on their website:

<https://www.nspcc.org.uk/what-we-do/news-opinion/supporting-children-worried-about-terrorism/>

This is the Newsround link:

<http://www.bbc.co.uk/newsround/40019250>

## Spring Term dates for your diary:

Friday 26 <sup>th</sup> May	PTA Sponsored Activity Day PTA cake sale <i>No Family Assembly</i>
Half Term 5 <sup>th</sup> – 19 <sup>th</sup> June	29 <sup>th</sup> May – 2 <sup>nd</sup> June Year 5 cycling proficiency training (volunteers welcome!)
Friday 9 <sup>th</sup> June	Family Assembly 2.45pm
Friday 16 <sup>th</sup> June	<i>No Family Assembly</i>
Friday 23 <sup>rd</sup> June	WW2 Workshop <i>No Family Assembly</i> (changed)
Wednesday 28 <sup>th</sup> June	Oak Class Clarinet Concert for parents 2.30pm
Friday 30 <sup>th</sup> June	<i>No Family Assembly</i>
Friday 7 <sup>th</sup> July	Move Up Day <i>No Family Assembly</i>
Saturday 8 <sup>th</sup> July	Family Challenge and School Fete
Friday 14 <sup>th</sup> July	Music Assembly 2.30pm Area Sports 5.30pm (Key Stage 2)
Tuesday 18 <sup>th</sup> July (am)	Sports Day
(Wed 19 <sup>th</sup> July am)	<i>Reserve Sports Day</i>
Thursday 20 <sup>th</sup> July	2.30pm Year 6 Leavers' Service
School Closes	Friday 21 <sup>st</sup> July 1.30pm

I hope you all have a lovely sunny half term break.

Yours sincerely,  
Mrs Emma Coleman  
Head teacher