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Dear Family



RE: We have continued to talk about Lent and our new topic on 'Growing'. We have been talking about how we can be better people, grow in God's love and how we can help each other and our family. The children have drawn a picture of themselves helping someone. Thank you for bringing in leaves to share for our Lenten tree. The branches are looking very full. Today we have celebrated St Patrick's Day by watching a clip from Espresso during Assembly and then colouring a picture of a shamrock or a picture of St. Patrick.



Literacy: We played a game this week where the children matched the initial sound of an object to the corresponding letter on a flower. They have also been practising tracing, copying and/or writing their name.



World Book Day: Next Tuesday we will be celebrating 'World Book Day'. Every child is invited to dress up as their favourite storybook character.

Maths: We have continued playing dice games. This week the children had to throw the dice to draw a flower. They are really enjoying playing these games. They have also been 'fishing' in the garden. Each fish has a number on it so it is helping them to recognise numbers to 30. They have also been trying to recognise numbers to 20 and naming 2D and 3D shapes during assessment week.



Physical: The children have had lots of fun outside on the large equipment when the weather has been dry.



Lanterns of the week: This week's 'Lanterns of the Week' in our morning session are Pete and Tivain. 'Lanterns of the Week' in our afternoon session are Aamina and Dylan. Well done to all of them for trying hard in their activities, being a kind friend and for helping in the nursery this week



Birthdays: We celebrated Beau's birthday today. Congratulations to him now he is 4.



Library Books: Please remember to return your child's school library book in their book bag on Thursday. Thank you.



Sports Relief: The School is participating in Sports Relief this year by having a school marathon. All the children will be running a 100 yards on the playground throughout the day.



Show and Tell: Some children like to bring toys from home to show us. As we don't want them to get forgotten, lost or broken we have now introduced a 'Show and Tell' time. If your child would like to bring in a toy on a Thursday to show to the children and talk about it, please can you ensure their name is on it and we shall have a box for them to put it in. This activity can improve your child's confidence and speaking skills. Please can you discourage your child from bringing in toys on the other days. Thank you.



Parental Consultations: You have received a letter explaining to you to book your appointments on-line. Please do this as soon as possible, otherwise we will allocate you an available slot. Thank you to those parents who have already booked their appointment and we look forward to seeing you very soon.



The Travelling Book Shop: The Travelling Book Shop will be in school during parents' evening and you will be able to buy books if you wish. This will take place in the school hall.

Reminders:

Please remember the morning Nursery session is from 9.00am -12.00am and the afternoon session is from 12.30pm - 3.30pm. For safety reasons please be prompt. Thank you. As you know you will receive a late letter if your child is late being dropped off or picked up 3 times.



Clothes: Please can you put your child's name in their coats, hats, scarves, wellies and gloves. If your child wears wellies or boots to school can you bring in their trainers to wear inside. **Please return any nursery clothes as soon as possible.**



Fronter: Your child's login details for Fronter is in the back of their yellow library record book. So please log in each week to see some photos of your child's week. If you are having problems please let us know.



Bug Club: This is an on-line reading club where your children are able to access books for you to read to your children. Your login details for Bug Club is in the back of their yellow library record book. If you are having problems please let us know.

Some dates for your diary:

- Tuesday 20th March-Re-scheduled World Book Day.
- Friday 23rd March-Sports Relief.
- Monday 26th March and Wednesday 28th March- Parental Consultations.
- Wednesday 28th March-Nursery closes for Easter.
- Thursday 29th March-9.00 Parent Voice meeting
- Thursday 29th March- School closes for Easter at 1.30pm.
- Monday 16th April-School re-opens.

We hope you all have a lovely weekend.

Mrs Coughlan, Mrs Ladd, Mrs Sleigh, Mrs Spinks.