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Dear Parents/Carers,

Welcome back to the summer term. I hope you all had an enjoyable break over the Easter holiday. This is a busy term in the lead up to statutory tests for some of our pupils and in the last week we have one of the highlights of the year, our annual production. The children in Aladdin have already delighted us with their singing in musical events and rehearsals. We are very much looking forward to seeing the live stage performance.

Pre-loved Clothes Collection

Please bring any of your pre-loved clothes to school next Tuesday morning (April 23rd) at school drop off. Donation bags are available from the office if they are needed. Thank you for supporting this FOBS initiative as we have raised a large amount of money from Bags-2-Schools in the past.

Pre-loved Football Gear!

A request from Mr Johnston for any football kit, especially boots or shin pads that your child has outgrown. The spare kit will be used by pupils in our thriving football club.

Parking on Grass Verges

Some of our neighbours have complained about parking on grass verges along The Shrubbery and Valley Road. Whilst this involves a tiny minority of our school community, it does reflect badly on the school. There is a possibility that yellow lines will be painted along The Shrubbery if this poor parking continues. Please be considerate when you park your car as having fewer places to park will affect many of you who drive to school.

Reading Workshop

A reminder that we will be running a reading workshop on Monday April 29th at 2:30 pm for all parents. This will provide an overview on how we teach reading in school and how you can support your child at home. As we have mentioned before, listening to your child read and reading to them is the most important thing you can do to support your child with their learning in school.

Uniform Policy – Hair

We have clarified our policy on hairstyles that are deemed appropriate for school: Hairstyles should be neat and appropriate for school (e.g. not fashion hairstyles which include: shaved, dyed, spiked or streaked hair, patterns, mohawks, lines and tramlines). Long hair (below shoulder length) should be tied back and hair should be kept out of children's eyes using headbands, clips and slides; again, plain using school colours.



Swimming Pool

We hope to have the pool ready for swimming lessons from May. Mr Rayner has been working hard to get the pool ready but we are waiting for a specialist to complete a microbiological water test.

Finally, good luck to all our pupils running in the children's version of the London marathon on Saturday. We have 30 pupils taking part in this exciting event. Thank you to Mrs Gooderham for organising this great opportunity.

Have a lovely weekend.

Yours sincerely

Handwritten signatures of Alison Higgins and Jo Duhig in blue ink.

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