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Dear Parents

We have had a busy, but enjoyable start to the Spring Term and February brings a host of different events and activities. Do check our website for all the latest news and pictures.

Our Year 6 children have been working extremely hard; the majority of whom have sat challenging entrance examinations for various senior independent schools throughout January. They have all continued to fulfil their prefect duties every day and acted as role models to the younger children of the school despite the pressure of the examinations. They are a credit to Coopersale Hall and to you, their parents, and we are very proud of them. We shall all be waiting with baited breath for the results that are due over half term.

Safer Internet Day

Tuesday 11 February is Safer Internet Day. In computing lessons, for that week, the children will be completing various activities that will remind them of the importance of responsible and respectful internet use. They will be discussing and writing internet rules, which will raise the awareness of how to stay safe; designing posters and leaflets to promote internet safety and discussing who they need to talk to if anything worries them online. Parents may like to discuss these issues with their children following the lessons.

Uniform

Please note that all children should be wearing full school winter uniform. Whilst it is lovely to see so many creative winter hats and ear muffs, children should be wearing the official green woollen hat only.

Dance

Recently our Dance teacher, Laura Thorogood, held our annual Scottish Dancing assembly – it was a lovely treat for parents and pupils of Year 1. As you may know, Laura moved to Oslo with her husband at the end of January, but we are delighted to welcome Miss Eloise Hardy to take her place.

Assemblies

Reception GM will be presenting their class assembly to their parents on Friday 7 February and Year 5 on 14 February (Both 5H & 5N). In March 1R on 6 March and 1B on 13 March. 2A conclude our class assemblies on 20 March.

Coffee Mornings

Thank you to all those of you who were able to join Mr Hagger and me at one of our coffee mornings in January. We value your comments and have been delighted with the positive feedback and useful suggestions. Year 6 Coffee Morning is on Thursday 6 February.

Drop-in Mornings– 8.00am to 8.30am

This term we have split our Drop In mornings to allow more time for parents with more than one child. On Monday 23 March, Years 3-6 parents are invited to view their children's work with their children and Reception, Years 1 and 2 on Tuesday 24 March. Drop In mornings provide an opportunity for the children to show and discuss their work with their parents and whilst teachers will be present, parents wishing to discuss any matters in detail should arrange a separate time.

Open Morning

Our next Open Morning will be on Tuesday 3 March @ 9am-11.30am . Current parents are welcome to attend to refresh their memories of parts of the school, which may be less familiar.

Pancake Races

We are celebrating Shrove Tuesday on Tuesday 25 February from 9am-10.00am. All children participate in the fun, pancake tossing relay races. Our older pupils help the younger ones. Parents are very welcome to watch the races, held on the astroturf. A timetable will be issued shortly.

Snow

We are in the snow season again and the temperatures have been dropping steadily. Should there be a snowfall then our 'Blue Team' normally works hard to clear the lane and internal pathways ready for the start of school. We try to keep the disruption to the children's education to a minimum, but please keep checking the website for updates and announcements in the event of heavy snow. We will also aim to text parents by 7.15am.

Reports

We shall be publishing the half-yearly reports to the Parent Portals on Friday 14 February. Please look out for a reminder so you can access your child's report. Please discuss any issues arising with your class teacher or myself.

Late Arrival

If you are unavoidably delayed bringing your child to school and arrive later than 8.45am, please do not take them to their classroom, but sign in first at the office, from where they will be taken to their class by a member of the office staff.

Medical matters

I should like to reiterate to parents that all pupils should be kept off school for at least 48 hours following a sickness bug. Also, if they have started a course of antibiotics they should also be kept off school for the first 24 hours whilst taking the medication. This is to contain the spread of infection as far as possible. Likewise, if your child is taken ill at school, you will be asked to collect them immediately. Thank you for your cooperation.

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Monday 3 February

- Football Match – @ Shooters North Weald - **By Invitation Years 5 & 6** 3.45pm KO

Tuesday 4 February

- Trip to Roald Dahl Museum @ Great Missenden for **Year 4** AM/PM

Wednesday 5 February

- ISA Netball Tournament @ Redbridge Sports Centre – **By Invitation Years 5 & 6** AM/PM

Thursday 6 February

- **Year 6** Coffee Morning with Miss Lovejoy & Mr Hagger 8.45am

Friday 7 February

- House Swimming Gala @ Waltham Abbey Pool – **Years 3 & 4**
- **Reception GM** Class Assembly followed by coffee with Miss Lovejoy 8.50am
- Art Club finishing at 5.05pm today

Tuesday 11 February

- Safe Internet Day

Wednesday 12 February

- Prep Schools Cross Country Races @ Coopersale Hall – **Years 3-6 By Invitation** 1.15pm

Thursday 13 February

- FOCHS Steering Meeting – **All Parents Welcome** 8.45am

Friday 14 February

- **Year 5H & 5N** Class Assembly followed by coffee with Miss Leeks 8.50am
- FOCHS Treat – Young Shakespeare Company @ Coopersale Hall for **Years 3-6** PM
- Art Club finishing at 5.05pm today
- Reports will be available to view on the portal

MONDAY 17 FEBRUARY – FRIDAY 21 FEBRUARY – HALF TERM HOLIDAYS

Monday 24 February

- Back to School
- Oak-Tree Schools Mixed Tag Rugby @ Eton Manor – **Years 5 & 6 By Invitation** PM

Tuesday 25 February

- Pancake Races – **Whole School – Parents Welcome** 9.00am
- Oak-Tree Schools Maths Challenge @ Oaklands School – **By Invitation Years 3,4,5,& 6** 4pm-5.30pm
- NO CHESS CLUB TODAY

Wednesday 26 February

- Cross Country Races for Local Schools @ Coopersale Hall - **By Invitation Years 2-6** 1.15pm

Friday 28 February

- Swimming starts for **Years 5 & 6** PM

Monday 2 March

- Football Match – @ Shooters North Weald - **By Invitation Years 5 & 6** 3.45pm KO

Tuesday 3 March

- Open Morning – **All Parents Welcome** – Headmistress Speech @ 9.30am 9.00am-11.30am
- Epping & Ongar District Cross Country @ Ongar School – **Years 5 & 6 By Invitation** PM

Wednesday 4 March

- Musical Showcase – **For Years 3-6 Parents Welcome** 9.00am

Friday 6 March

- **Year 1 Rooks** Class Assembly followed by coffee with Miss Lovejoy 8.50am
- ISA London North Mixed Tag Rugby – **By Invitation Years 5 & 6**

Monday 9 March

- NO SCIENCE CLUB TODAY FOR **YEAR 1**

Tuesday 10 March

- NO SCIENCE CLUB TODAY FOR **YEAR 2**
- **Years 3-6** Trip to the Barbican LSO Workshop & The Museum of Childhood AM/PM

Friday 13 March

- NO YOGA TODAY
- **Year 1 Biddle** Class Assembly followed by coffee with Miss Lovejoy 8.50am

Monday 16 March

- Bikeability - Cycle Training - **Year 6** AM
- Violin Lessons today for this week

Tuesday 17 March

- Bikeability - Cycle Training - **Year 6** AM/PM
- Piano Assembly - Details to follow - By Invitation 8.50am

Wednesday 18 March

- Bikeability - Cycle Training - **Year 6** AM/PM
- Netball Festival at Bancroft's Sports Ground - **By Invitation Years 5 & 6** PM

Friday 20 March

- No Violin Lessons today – they took place on Monday
- **Year 2 Allen** Class Assembly followed by coffee with Miss Lovejoy 8.50am
- Oak-Tree Netball & Football Tournament - @Peter May Centre - **By invitation Years 3 & 4** PM

Monday 23 March

- Drop-In Morning for **Parents of Years 3 to 6 Parents** 8am-8.30am
- Easter Animals Visit – FOCHS Treat – **Whole School** AM/PM
- Last Science Club for **Year 1** of the term

Tuesday 24 March

- Drop-In Morning for **Parents of Reception – Year 1 & Year 2** 8am-8.30am
- Last Science Club for **Year 2** of the term

Wednesday 25 March

- Local Schools Netball Tournament at St. Andrews School – **By Invitation Years 5 & 6** AM/PM

Thursday 26 March End of Term – Easter Holidays

- Easter Assembly for **Parents of Early Years Children** 9am-9.30am
- Easter Bonnet Parade – **Whole School – All parents Welcome** 9.30am-10am
- Easter Assembly for **Parents of Years 1 to 6 children** 10am-10.30am
- **Early Years** Finish 11.30am
- **Years 1 & 2** Finish 11.45am
- **Years 3-6** Finish 12pm

TUESDAY 21 APRIL – FIRST DAY OF SUMMER TERM

With kind regards

Yours faithfully



Kaye Lovejoy
Headmistress



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