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Dear Parents

We have been marshalling the school car park on a few days this week, please do not use the school car park unless you have been given specific permission to use it. It is not for general use for dropping off and picking up. When the car park is used at these times, it becomes very dangerous for our pupils. Thank you to all the parents that have taken this on-board.

Thank you to all the Year 2 parents for joining us and their children on Monday to listen to the Gospels Prayers that Year 2 had written, it was lovely to see so many families join us.

On Tuesday evening our Year 4 class performed in the DASP music concert at Thomas Hardy School. Their performance was great, we were really proud of them. Thank you to all the Year 4 families that came along to enjoy the concert.

Our World Book Day (vocabulary focus) on Wednesday was a great success, the ideas for costumes that the children came up with were really brilliant; they looked fantastic. The children had a fun day with activities all about 'words', for example, our Year 2 class discussed their favourite words, found some of them in the dictionary and made "silly sentences" with them. Our Year 3 class did a book quiz where they would only see part of a book's front cover and had to guess the book and author. They also made new front covers for their favourite books.

This morning we held our Bike It Breakfast, lots of families joined us after cycling to school or coming in on their scooters. The PTA put on a great breakfast of juices, tea, coffee, croissants, bananas and banana cake. Thank you to everyone who came along.

Sustrans were supporting the Bike It Breakfast and then ran a session with our Year 3 class teaching them about bikes and how they work.

Next Monday our Year 3 class will be attending the Commonwealth Flag raising ceremony at County Hall. Please send children in with warm coats, hat and sensible shoes.



Next Wednesday Year 4 will be taking part in an Orienteering event at St Osmund's Middle School. The children will need a packed lunch on this day as well as bringing their warm PE kits in a separate bag to school with a warm coat.

Upcoming Dates

Please see our upcoming dates

Monday 9 th March	Year 3 attending Commonwealth Flag Raising Ceremony at County Hall in Dorchester
Monday 9 th March	Year 3 sharing their Gospel Value Prayer with their parents at the end of the school day – Year 3 parents welcome to come along at 3.00 pm
Wednesday 11 th March	Year 4 class Orienteering at St Osmund's School during the afternoon
Wednesday 11 th March	Reception Class Vision Screening
Monday 16 th March	Year 1 sharing their Gospel Value Prayer with their parents at the end of the school day – Year 1 parents welcome to come along at 3.00 pm
Thursday 19 th March	Year 2 trip to Wagamama (morning)
Friday 20 th March –	St Mary's Easter BINGO – early evening family event - £5.00 includes entry & 10 games of 6 books
Monday 23 rd March	School Nurse drop-in session at 8.45 am
Monday 23 rd March	Reception Class Hearing Checks
Monday 23 rd March	Year 4 sharing their Gospel Value Prayer with their parents at the end of the school day – Year 4 parents welcome to come along at 3.00 pm
Wednesday 25 th March	Mass at St Mary's – 9.00 am
Thursday 26 th March	Year 1 trip to Shire Hall (morning)
Friday 27 th March –	PTA cake sale at pick up time (Y4 parents kindly donating cakes)
Friday 27 th March –	Year 4 Sleepover - 6.00 pm
Monday 30 th March	Reception sharing their Gospel Value Prayer with their parents at the end of the school day – Reception parents welcome to come along at 3.00 pm
Friday 3 rd April	Children finish for Easter holidays
Monday 20 th April	Children return to school

Yours Sincerely

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Mrs Paula Fearn
Head Teacher