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Dear families and children,

PTA Events

A final reminder that our Halloween disco is on Thursday 22nd October. Details were sent home in a flyer and are also on the school website.

The PTA have booked a fashion show for after half term. This is on Tuesday 1st December. The fashion show sells clothes from the high street at hugely discounted prices - ideal for Christmas presents. Tickets will be on sale shortly and a text will be sent home to let you know when they are available.

The PTA firework display is confirmed. This will be on Thursday 12th November. Arrival at school will be from 5.45pm and you can buy hotdogs, chips, juice, tea and coffee. The firework display will begin at 6.30pm. It lasts for 15 minutes. Costs will be confirmed by text next week.

All PTA events are run by our very generous parents and cash can be paid for these events, through the school office. Any cash for the PTA must be sent in a sealed clearly labelled envelope.

Parents evening

Our first parents evening is tomorrow Tuesday 20th October. Most families have booked their appointments and the TUCASI system has now been locked. If you haven't booked an appointment you need to contact the school office to do so.

Food Tasting

During the 2 parents evenings, the catering staff will be offering ADULTS only a food tasting opportunity. The Deli bar will display the selection that is offered to the children every day but this is not to be part of the tasting. The meals being prepared for the tasting are pulled pork, chicken curry, nachos and a selection of desserts.

Grapes

You may have read in the news recently that a very young child died from choking on a grape. This has worried us all greatly. The kitchen staff will be cutting any grapes served to the children in half. If you send your child to school with grapes you may wish to do the same to avoid a repeat of this tragic incident.

Individual photographs

On Wednesday 21st October, the school photographer will be in school taking individual and family photographs. If you have a child who is pre-school aged and you wish them to have an individual or family photograph with their siblings, you can come to the hall at 8.30am. All children in the school will then be photographed during the school day and the proofs sent home as soon as possible. Details for payment will be sent with the proofs.



Clubs and activities

After half term, all clubs and activities will start in the second week - week of 9th November. They will last for 4 weeks. The after school clubs run by outside providers will be as follows: Deadline for places on these clubs will be Wednesday 4th November (please ensure your form is handed into school by this date).

Monday: Tae Kwondo 4 weeks starting on Mon 9th Nov - Mon 30th Nov
£3.50 per session - £14.00 pay cash direct to Brian or cheques made payable to Taekwondo

Tuesday: KS1 football 4 weeks starting on Tues 10th Nov - Tues 1st Dec
£3.00 per session - £12.00 JM Sports/to be paid online through TUCASI

Wednesday: KS2 football 4 weeks starting on Wed 11th Nov - Wed 2nd Dec
£3.00 per session - £12.00 JM Sports/to be paid online through TUCASI

Friday: EYFS football 4 weeks starting on Fri 13th Nov - Fri 4th Dec
£3.00 per session - £12.00 pay cash direct to Matt or cheques made payable to Shootin Boots

Uniform orders

This is the last week when you can order your school uniform through TUCASI. After half term, uniform orders (apart from ties and water bottles) should be made directly with the supplier - Gooddies through <http://pensby.gooddies.co.uk>. A link will be placed on the schools website under uniform. For families whose child/ren are entitled to Free School Meals, they can continue to order their school uniform through TUCASI after half term, please contact the school office before ordering through school if you think you are entitled to FSM.

Free School Meal (FSM) Entitlement

Many families have noticed the school and family benefits that being entitled and claiming FSM can bring. The school office can help you claim FSM and this information is confidential. Your child may be entitled to FSM if you claim:

- Income Support
- income-based Jobseekers Allowance
- income-related Employment and Support Allowance
- support under Part VI of the Immigration and Asylum Act 1999
- the guaranteed element of State Pension Credit
- Child Tax Credit (provided you're not also entitled to Working Tax Credit and have an annual gross income of no more than £16,190)
- Working Tax Credit run-on - paid for 4 weeks after you stop qualifying for Working Tax Credit
- Universal Credit

and finally,

Miss Grant has had a very healthy baby boy. Henry was born on 2nd October weighing 7lb 3oz. Mother and baby are doing well!!!

Thank you,



Mrs. K Brown - Headteacher