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Dear Parents,

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Weekly News

What a busy week!

Our Fairtrade coffee afternoon was a great success. The children from the Eco committee did a presentation on the devastation that deforestation is having on the planet and farming around the world but particularly on cocoa producers. They also explained how the purchase of Fairtrade goods impacts positively on the lives of the farmers and their families. They shared a useful map of the places in the local area which sell Fairtrade products. The choir also performed to entertain the parents and grandparents who attended. A massive thank you to The Dinas Powys Fairtrade group for their help in running the event and to you for coming to support it. What amazing costumes we saw yesterday as we celebrated World Book Day. All children have received their free World Book Day book from Griffin Books in Penarth who came to visit us today. We are extremely grateful to them for providing this service so if ever you are in Penarth, please do try to support them.

The Year 5 children are currently on their way back from Llangrannog where they have two very exciting and eventful days full of adventure and amazing activities. I would like to congratulate them on their very good behaviour whilst at the centre and to say a huge thank you to Mr Mason, Mrs Goddard and Mrs Miller for looking after them so well. I am sure they will all be exhausted tonight and will sleep very well – and that includes the staff!

There are lots of pictures of activities on our Twitter page @standrewsmajor as well as some new films on our YouTube channel which you can find on the website <http://www.standrewsweb.com/> Please do take a look.

Healthy Lunch boxes

One of the things discussed at the recent parent forum was the issue around some of the items that children bring in for their packed lunches. As you know, we do try to encourage a healthy life-style and are always looking for ways to promote this. Please see the attached leaflet from Welsh Government which may offer some ideas.

Year 1 Contribution to Service

The children will be taking part this Sunday 8th March. Please can they stay seated with you until they are called to the front. We would like it if the children could wear their uniform.

Message from Messy Church / Sunday School

Join us at St Peter's for Easter themed Messy Church on Saturday 28th March 3-5pm including loads of fun activities for kids and party food. Everyone's welcome 🍩🍪🍰🎈🎉
We plan to make hot cross buns, cakes, cards, bunting, balloon painting, bird feeders and party hats.

If you or older children would like to help out then please get in touch - the more the merrier. We have a new Facebook group - *St Peter's Mini Church Dinas Powys (Sunday School)*

Coronavirus

At the moment, nothing has changed in terms of guidance to us as a school from the Local Authority and/or Public Health Wales and therefore we are carrying on as normal until we are informed otherwise. I politely request that parents stop phoning the school to ask what we are doing and whether we are closing etc. as this is taking up a lot of Mrs Green's time. If we have any information to share, you will be the first to know through a text and/or email.

End of the school day (repeated message)

Something which was discussed during the forum was the issue around the congestion at the school gate, particularly at pick up time. It is something that we will look to address more practically in the future but in the meantime, can I ask all parents and grandparents not to congregate around the path area and gate in order to ensure the safety of everyone. Also please remember the layby is strictly for drop off only and under no circumstances should parents be getting out of their car or leaving the car in the lay-by.

School Lunches (repeated message)

We have reviewed some of the options with the school cook. From now on, week 1 Monday's lunch will change from Mac and Cheese to Pasta Bake. Chilli Poutine is simply Chilli with wedges.

DATES FOR NEXT WEEK

Year 4 Swimming continues

Rugby and French Club will continue. All other clubs have finished.

Tues 10th – Drum teacher demo for pupils who may be interested in lessons

Thurs 12th - Debate team to Arch Deacon John Lewis School

Fri 13th – Sports Relief (all to wear sporty clothes and donate a £1 please)

Wishing everyone a great weekend.

Yours faithfully,



Headteacher

Our value this half term is Forgiveness:

Bear with each other and forgive one another if any of you has a grievance against someone. Forgive as the Lord forgave you. (Colossians 3:13)