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Dear Parents and Carers

Red Nose Day Talent Show

As part of our celebrations for Red Nose Day, Mr Hall and Mrs Clark are hosting a talent show (Ant and Dec eat your heart out). You may want to encourage your child to dust off their magic set, research some good jokes, form a band/dance group etc and audition for the "Bishop Wood's Got Talent" show. Auditions will be held within their year group, the week before.

Celebration

This week we celebrated the following pupils in school:

Roll of Honour:

3I – Sophie H, Isabella D, Grace F and Lewis F-J
3B – Jake T, Amelie M and Seth P-L
4H – Daisy M and Harry H
4DR – Dylan D and Anna B
5R – Ellie J and Joshua J
5F – Bobby-Joe P and Elin D
6M – Betsie Y and Milly B
6C – Rochana J and Josh R

Gold Reading Awards:

Ava I (3B)
Thomas O'N, Emilia S and Freya B (3I)
Violet A, Amber W and Caris W (5F)
Charlie I (6C)

Outside Honours:

Alexander L - Archery

Science Question of the Week!

This week's science question is not one for discussion at the dinner table. Why is nasal mucus often green?

Collective Worship

Mr Hall took collective worship on Monday and continued looking at our current value of RESPECT. He heard from the children about how they are changing their behaviours to be more respectful to members of the school and wider community. Mike and Scruffy visited us for worship on Wednesday. Mike spoke about the FA 'Respect' programme and how it can be used in many aspects of daily life.

Governor Election

You should have received an email from the office with details of the parent election. Please cast your vote. The office will have copies of the ballot papers for anyone struggling to print.

Around School

The highlight of my week was a visit from Marco P, Ollie R and Margo G (Year 3) to show me their fantastic science work that explained how sea urchins become fossils. We have had two very exciting trips out this week with Year 3 going to Aylesbury Waterside Theatre to see George's Marvellous Medicine (which included a very successful fire drill evacuation!) and 67 children singing as a group of 7000 children at the O2. Y4 have started work on the [BBC Radio 2](#) 500 words short-story writing competition. Y5 have been looking at the book 'Wonder' in English. This has been the stimulus for great discussion and some excellent writing. 5F laid on a fantastic collective worship today – well done!

Trips and Visits

Staff work very hard to put together exciting trips and visits to enrich the educational experience of our children. We are always extremely grateful to parents/carers who come along and make those trips happen. This week, I was pleased to receive many emails of thanks from parents who specifically mentioned the extra effort that our staff go to in organising these events. Thank you!



Safer Internet Day

Tuesday 6th February is 'Safer Internet Day' and all children will be completing tasks based on this at school. Our internet at school is provided by Hertfordshire County Council and comes with filtering, monitoring and alerts that keep the children safe on the internet at school. Many of the major broadband providers have their own parental controls which can be applied at home. If you want more information about this, click [here](#).

Young Voices

Well done to all the children who attended the Young Voices concert at the O2 this week. Huge thank you to Mrs Reeve, Mrs Colston and all the other members of staff who made this happen. It was an incredible experience for our children who were a credit to the school. Mrs Reeve said that the children performed brilliantly right to the end and it was a delight to see the joy on their faces during the performance. Also a special thanks to Jane Solomon for her huge support during the rehearsals.

Home Time

Many parents voiced a concern in the recent survey about arrangements at the end of the school day. The general feeling was that there was a lack of supervision as children were leaving school. In response to this, teaching staff will be stationed at the front and rear of the school to ensure that children are meeting parents/carers safely and are behaving appropriately. The following rota will be used from Monday 5th February:

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Front of School	Mrs McGhee	Mrs Clark	Miss Francis	Miss Record	Mr Hall
Rear of School	Mr Stanley	Mrs Ing	Mrs Day	Mrs Birley	Mrs Reeve

*Please note that the staff member on duty may change due to other events happening within school

These arrangements will be reviewed before the end of the school year.

Head Lice

We are still having parents reporting to us that there are head lice in school. Please could you check your child's hair/head. Information on how to detect and treat can be found here: <https://www.nhs.uk/conditions/head-lice-and-nits/> Please could children with longer hair to have it tied back in school as this can help to reduce the chances of head lice spreading.

Important Dates

Event	Date/Time
Safer Internet Day	Tuesday 6 th February
Lent Church Service	Wednesday 7 th February 13.30
5R Class Collective Worship	Friday 9 th February 09.15
House Games - Years 5 & 6	Friday 9 th February
End of half term	Friday 9 th February - School closes at 15.30
Back to school	Monday 19 th February
4DR Class Collective Worship	Friday 23 rd February 09.15
Poet Visit – James Carter	Tuesday 27 th February
Year 4 Theatre Trip	Tuesday 27 th February
World Book Day	Thursday 1 st March
4H Class Collective Worship	Friday 2 nd March 09.15
Buddies Disco for children	Friday 2 nd March 19.00 – 20.30
3I Class Collective Worship	Friday 9 th March 09.15
SEN Reviews	12 th and 13 th March
3B Class Collective Worship	Friday 16 th March 09.15
Parents' Consultation Evening	Tuesday 20 th March 16.30 – 19.00
Parents' Consultation Evening	Wednesday 21 st March 16.30 – 19.00
Red Nose Day – Bishop Wood's Got Talent!	Friday 23 rd March
End of Term	Thursday 29 th March - School closes at 13.30

Kind Regards
Mr Gary Stanley