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Dear Parents,

End of Term

As we approach the end of the spring term and the days begin to stretch out, Spring finally seems to be on the way. Hurray! We have all worked hard this term and the children are ready for a break. During the holiday, please make sure you read with and to your child often and take time to chat and discuss things whenever you can; on a walk, whilst travelling in the car, gardening, making the tea etc. Shared conversation is not only a lovely thing, it also really expands and develops your child's vocabulary and thinking skills, helping them to make links and connections in their thinking and become confident, articulate speakers. Any words they learn as you do this are there for them to draw on in the future, so keep talking!

Last Day

On Friday, we plan to finish early with the opening of our new outdoor classroom and an opportunity for you to come in and have a look around school and help your child to clear their locker ready for a deep clean in the holidays. PTFA will provide some light refreshments, in the outdoor classroom if fine, or the school hall if wet. Children are all decorating a tea cup and saucer with a lovely spring plant. These will be for sale for £2.50 on Friday afternoon. The children are doing such a wonderful job of decorating them. You will be delighted when you see them.

We will have the grand opening at 1.30pm with our school day finishing at 2.30pm. The school bus will collect children at 2.30pm so please arrange to collect your child from the usual drop off place if you are not coming into school on Friday afternoon. There will be no after school club or wrap around. Have a wonderful holiday.

Indoor Shoes

Please make sure your child has suitable indoor footwear for the beginning of the summer term. This includes crocs, plimsols, shoes, Velcro trainers and slippers with a back on them to ensure everyone is safe and comfortable.

Lunch Price Increase

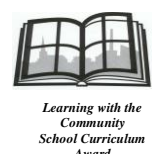
It is with great disappointment that I have to inform you that Orian, our catering service have informed us of a price increase from April. The cost of school dinner is going up from £2.96 to £3.21. This is due to rising food and wage costs. We have discussed these changes but are unable to negotiate costs any lower. However, if we have a high enough average uptake these costs could be reduced to £3.15.

Next Term

Summer term starts on Monday April 17th and we all hope you have a wonderful break.

Yours sincerely,

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