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Dear Parents,

Oak class children treated us all to a dinosaur-themed assembly full of poetry, drama and even a special rendition of 'Old Mac Dino had a farm'. Congratulations to all involved and a big thank you to Oak parents who showed their appreciation with one parent commenting positively about the children loving taking part, loving each other and having a special love and respect for their teacher. Special Head Teacher stickers have been issued to the children and staff and I am anticipating that there will be some new photographs appearing on the website too.

Parental Questionnaires

There have been 100 parental questionnaires returned to school and I am very grateful for all the questionnaire ticks and responses. There is still time to return a questionnaire and I would like to exceed the number of 119 that we achieved last year. The questionnaire responses will be collated and sent out in a future newsletter outlining the actions we are taking and where you have raised a question and given your name, I will be responding personally to you.

Information about Multi-Academy Trusts and Horizon Multi-Academy Trust in particular

As promised, an information sheet and consultation opportunity has been sent to you this week as a paper copy. Please be kind enough to give this document your consideration and then respond to this consultation opportunity to clarify any points you might have, ask direct questions or comment negatively or positively (with reasons). Governors are very keen to hear the views of parents. Please send in your response by letter to me or preferably, send by e-mail to Laura Faith our Clerk to Governors by e-mailing hydeparkclerk@outlook.com

Arts Week 5th to 9th March

The theme for Arts Week this year is 'What makes Britain Great?' Throughout the week all the children will have the opportunity to participate in a variety of activities involving a range of art techniques and materials to explore different traditions, landmarks, authors, musical composers, communities and many other topics. Every child will also experience a specialist dance workshop to create a Morris Dance performance.

On Wednesday 7th March from 2.30pm to 3.00pm there is an open opportunity for any parent (no pre school children please) to join your child(ren) in class to help out with an activity. Please let your child's class teacher know if you can attend so that they can plan for your involvement. We look forward to seeing you!



World Book Day reminder

Thursday of next week is our Book Day and children may come to school in a favourite book character costume or simply come in school uniform as usual and bring a favourite book with them. I will give you all a little smile on Thursday morning when I come out into the playground in my bee keeper's suit and I am already looking forward to reading stories about bees to the children.

Missing blue hoodie

Following a football club before half term, a blue hoodie (similar blue to the school colours) was lost at school. The hoodie is a NEXT make and it is probable that it has been brought home by mistake, possibly in a PE bag or football kit bag. If you have found this hoodie, please be kind enough to return it to me, Mrs Hill, so that I can return it to its owner. Thank you

Vegetarian food tasting and menu development

This invitation is to invite any parent who regularly cooks and eats vegetarian food to come into school to join a group that I am running in association with CaterEd, our school meals providers. There will be opportunities to sample current vegetarian school meals, meals from a proposed menu and then to bring and share recipes that you use at home. Your meals can be cooked and shared with the group in the second session and meals voted as being particularly tasty can form a bank of new meals to put forward to the new school menu.

Please phone or drop me a note with your name and contact number. The first meeting is on 6th March from 9-11am. Parents who have already received an invitation are asked to respond quickly.

I have mentioned snow in previous letters but, according to the forecast, there is an increased likelihood of snow next week. Please ensure that your child comes to school in a warm coat. Should it snow a lot, please follow the snow procedures posted on the website in the PARENTS USEFUL DOCUMENTS section. Please do not telephone the school.

If you are looking for something to do this weekend, please remember that there are lots of ideas (all free) that you could choose to do as a family in the Hyde Park Explorers booklet. I would be very happy to receive any pictures or information about these activities that I could post on the school website. Whatever you choose to do, I hope you have a most enjoyable weekend.

Yours sincerely,



Head Teacher