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Dear Parents,

This week the school has been awash with paint, glue, colour, music and dance as we have all enjoyed Arts Week! What an amazing time we have all had. Many outcomes of the children's work will be appearing in the classrooms, in our main hall and staff are preparing PhotoStory films of Arts Week in progress which will soon be available to view on the school website. Thank you to the many parents who came in to help during the week and those who come along on our parent invitation day on Wednesday.

World Book Day

Although a week late, due to snow, we have all participated in World Book Day. As promised, I wore my bee suit and gave parents a little giggle. The children were fascinated and I have been asked lots of questions about bees which I have enjoyed answering. Grateful thanks to my admin. staff who rose to the challenge and dressed up as bees complete with a set of wings and wore the costume all day! Due to pressures of work on my part, I have been unable to share my bee stories with the children so will ensure that I get around to all the classes next week as I have a number of favourites to share with them. Please see below a snapshot of the costumes that children dressed up in today. It has been exciting to bump into Peter Rabbit complete with carrots hanging out of his pocket, The Queen of Hearts, Willy Wonka, Little Red Riding Hood and Harry Potter characters to name but a few!











In raising money for Literacy in a Box we achieved ± 132.19 today which is very encouraging but rather short of our target to find enough money to purchase a box to support a class of Zambian children for the year. I will keep the initiative open for a while in the hope that we can raise money later in the year and achieve the aim of providing this much needed box.

<u>Y1 trip</u>

URGENT

We are short of $\pounds 150$ for the Y1 trip. If you have not yet paid though School Money, can you please sort this out over the weekend.

Responses to the Questionnaire using Ofsted's questions.

Please find the Questionnaire response data collection sheet either attached below or sent as a separate e-mail. We had 117 responses_which is a great response and the figures speak for themselves. All staff and particularly myself are very grateful for the overwhelming level of confidence in the school and its staff. Thank you.

We are not complacent and continually want to improve so where we have a name, we will be offering meetings to discuss any areas where parents did not have full confidence in what we are doing. Where you have 'agreed' but not 'strongly agreed', we want to do better so staff, working with governors, will look carefully at what we can do to improve.

Illustrations of the data responses are also to be found in the entrance lobby alongside some of the additional comments that parents made when sending in their questionnaires.

I hope that you all have an enjoyable weekend. I have a bee meeting to attend and am hopeful for a bit of pampering from my daughter this weekend. If stuck for ideas, please have a look at the Hyde Park Explorers booklet. Pictures of Explorer activity would be most welcomed so that I can add them to our school website.

Yours sincerely,

F.A. Hill

Head Teacher



Questionnaire for parents and carers February 2018

Results received as of 28th February 2018

Received 117 replies 1 paper was spoilt and not counted

		Strongly agree	Agree	Disagree	Strongly disagree
1	My child feels safe at this school.	79.98%	19.78%		
2	My child is happy at this school.	74.82%	24.08%	0.86%	
3	My child enjoys their learning at this school.	76.54%	22.36%	0.86%	
4	My child is making good progress at this school.	71.38%	26.66%	1.72%	
5*	This school meets my child's particular needs.	64.50%	30.10%	2.58%	
6	This school ensures my child is well looked after.	72.24%	26.66%		
7	My child is taught well at this school.	79.83%	20.26%	0.86%	
8*	This school is well led and managed.	74.82%	24.08%	0.86%	
9	This school helps my child to develop skills in communication, reading, writing and mathematics.	75.68%	22.36%	0.86%	0.86%
10*	There is a good standard of behaviour at this school.	61.06%	37.84%	0.84%	
11*	This school deals with any cases of bullying effectively. (Bullying includes persistent name-calling, cyber, racist and homophobic bullying).	47.30%	27.52%	1.72%	
12	This school helps me to support my child's learning.	73.10%	25.80%	0.86%	
13*	This school responds well to my concerns.	64.50%	30.10%	1.72%	
14	This school keeps me well informed.	66.22%	31.82%	0.86%	0.86%
15*	I would recommend this school to another parent. (Please ring your answer)	Yes 98.04%		No 0.86%	
16	*Question 5- 2.58% declined to answer *Question 9– 0.86% declined to answer *Question 10- 0.86% declined to answer *Question 11- 23.22% declined to answer *Question 13- 3.44% declined to answer *Question 15 -0.86% declined to answer				