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Thank you

I am really proud to inform you that thanks to your generosity we have been able to make significant donations to three charities in recent weeks. In fact, I have received letters of thanks for the following amounts:

- Help for Heroes - £65
- UNICEF (Haiti appeal) - £240
- NSPCC - £1495

I am particularly pleased that the idea to raise funds for Haiti and 'Help for Heroes' came from the children and were not fund raising activities we had planned. The children identified causes they felt strongly about and initiated the fund raising themselves.

Text and email service

We have received some very positive feedback about our new text and email service. If you have not yet passed our email or text number to school I would encourage you to do so. We have already found that the service saves us time and money in school, allowing us to allocate resources to more pressing matters! We would welcome any feedback on the service to help us improve it.

Book Week

In line with National Book Day on Thursday March 4th we will be holding a book fair in the school hall on the 3rd-5th March beginning at 3.30pm. During the week children will participate in activities to promote an enjoyment of reading and story telling, including a visit from 'Mexico Mike' who will share Mexican stories and songs with the children.

Fish and Quips

Tickets are still available for our quiz night on March 5th. The event is only open to adults and ticket prices include entry to the quiz and a fish supper. At only £5, I'm sure you will agree this is a real bargain! Many thanks to Plumtree Fish and Chips for their help in supplying the food.

Child Protection Procedures

Our policy and procedures for Child Protection are now available on the school website. Do not hesitate to contact me if you have any concerns or questions regarding Child Protection.

Healthy Snacks

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| Yes please <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | No thanks <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Fruit | <input type="checkbox"/> Crisps |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Low sugar cereal bars | <input type="checkbox"/> Chocolate |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Raisins and dried fruit | <input type="checkbox"/> Biscuits |

Please contact me if you have any questions about this.

Absence from school

The school office staff have asked me to remind parents and carers that a note or phone call is required on the first day a child is absent from school.

Traffic

We are currently formulating a School Travel Plan to help reduce congestion and the risk of injury around school. I will share this information with you shortly, but in the meantime I would ask all parents and carers arriving at school by car to follow our informal one way system (Come to school on Crossdale Drive and leave the site on Brockwood Crescent) and to park with consideration for our neighbours.

ROLL OF HONOUR

- Megan Evans in Year 4 has gained her National Plan award stage 7 in swimming.
- Josh Rawsthorne recently swam 1 mile (64 lengths of a 25m pool!) to achieve his Speedo Rainbow Award.
- Jack Phoenix has been awarded his yellow belt in karate.
- These children all passed their Taekwondo grading on 9th February: Rhys Jenkins - promoted to 9th Kup - yellow tag, Tom Mellor - promoted to 9th Kup - yellow tag, Elliot Disney - promoted to 8th Kup - yellow belt, Billy Stockwell - promoted to 7th Kup - green tag, Grace Ellerby - promoted to 7th Kup - green tag, Priya Jenkins - promoted to 8th Kup - Double grade - yellow belt
- Keyworth under 9 Blacks recently made it through to the semi finals of the Young Elizabethan Cup. This has been a great effort from the all of the boys. Callum, Jamie, Will, Harry, Eden and Max from Year 4 are all vital parts of the team. It is great to hear that the boys always have a smile on their faces and they always show respect to their opponents.
- Emily Wong has passed her Grade 2 Theatre craft exam (Commended). Well done Emily!
- Katie Bradshaw, Luke Widdowson and Christopher Bywater all recently featured as Keyworth Under 9 Greens won through to the semi-final of the cup. Luke and Katie both scored fantastic goals.

Please contact the school office, preferably by email marked 'Roll of Honour', if you would like to share the achievements of your children with the rest of the school community. We love to hear about what they have been doing outside of school.

Best wishes
Peter Cresswell