

Friday 6th May 2022

Dear Parents and Carers,

### **Eid Mubarak**

Thank you to Sarah, mum of Abbas, who gave up her time to lead a very informative Eid assembly on Wednesday. Your children loved it. Thanks also for the celebration food stall, it was very popular and raised £110 which will be spent on new books for our Library. Please take a look at our Twitter account and the website for some super photographs.

### **Helping in school**

Thanks also to those of you who are now coming in to read with children, help with the library and support in other ways. We really appreciate this and it makes such a difference. Please let your class teacher know if you are able to come in to help in any way.

### **Leopard Class Assembly**

It was lovely to see so many of our Leopard class families at the assembly today. The children performed beautifully and we are very proud of them. Thank you to all of our Year 2 parents who came to school to enjoy the assemblies and support us.

### **Swimming**

We are delighted that swimming will start again on Monday 9th May after a two year pause. Thank you those of you who have signing up to help, we really can only do it with your support. We will be getting in touch with those of you who have signed up but do not have a valid DBS check, hopefully they will arrive in time. If you are helping please come to the office by 12.45pm. We will then give you some information and a lanyard. Please be aware that you may need to be flexible about where you are helping depending on how much parental help we have. A little reminder that all children must wear a swimming hat, they can be purchased at the office.

### **Transition to CHJ and to Years 1 & 2**

This week our Year 2 children met their future Head teacher Mrs. Mastracola. They found out lots about her and it begins the start of their transition journey. We know that although this is an exciting next step it can also cause anxiety for some children. Please talk to them and please let us know if they have any worries or questions. We have a full schedule of transition activities and we work really hard to make the move as smooth as possible.

### **Pyjamarama - Friday 13th May**

You will have received details in your child's blue bag last week about "Pyjamarama", an event organised by the Book Trust, the UK's largest book charity, to raise funds for books for children. We invite the children to wear their pyjamas to school (or a colourful t-shirt if they'd prefer) in return for a £1 donation. This will be held on **Friday 13 May**. Any money raised will be sent to [BookTrust](#) - an amazing charity which ensures that all children have access to books.

**Reading with and to your child**

Reading is the most important thing we teach here at an Infant school. Reading opens up everything else in the curriculum and a love of books will last a lifetime. We are noticing that many reading diaries are left unsigned and without comments. We are hoping that this doesn't mean that your child isn't reading at home. Please read every day with your child. If you want more information about how to support your child with their reading, please contact Mrs Jakob via the office.

**Jubilee Design Competition**

Please find attached details of a Jubilee Competition being run at Kingston Museum to design a royal pot, mug, plate or tea towel. The closing date for entries is Saturday 21 May 2022.

**Love the Ball - May half term camp**

Please find attached details of the Love the Ball half term camp being run by the Love the Ball team here at Coombe Hill.

We hope you all have a lovely weekend!

Warm regards

Janet Berry

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Safeguarding our young children is our priority and all staff are trained to keep children safe. However, safeguarding is everyone's responsibility and if you are concerned about a child or young person please call Children's services on **020 8547 5008**.