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Dear Parents / Carers,

We have reached the end of the first half term of the year which is always the longest one in terms of duration. This could be part of the reason your child may be feeling a little weary following their exertions over the past seven and a half weeks!

#### Sponsored Run

Many thanks to every single one of you for your support with the sponsored run. Obviously we are unable to provide a total for the amount raised, suffice to say we are overwhelmed by the donations already received. I hope that the children enjoyed the day and, again, enormous thanks to you all.

#### Parents' Evenings

It was fantastic to see and speak with so many of you on Monday and Wednesday this week. We hope that those who attended found the meetings useful. I have started to look at the questionnaires and although there has not been the chance to forensically analyse the information, it is clear that the limited offer for extra curricular activities this term has identified as a 'could do better'. I am happy to take responsibility for this as staff were keen to facilitate clubs. However, my concern was that over the past seven weeks, all staff have had extended days undertaking training on our new phonics programme. They have also spent time after school training on our new writing programme and, as well as this, they have been carrying out booster sessions with some children. HOWEVER, after half term we will be sending out a list of clubs which will be on offer which will include art, homework and multi sports (along with others)! Watch this space! With regard to the questionnaire, I will be working on this next week.

Wishing you a pleasant half term,

Yours Sincerely,

Mr C Gibson