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Dear Parents / Carers,

What a thoroughly wet week it has been which has managed to disrupt a number of planned activities including our Remembrance Service at St Nicholas' Church as well as some of the 'Bikeability' training for our Year Five children. Let's hope that it improves for the weekend!

Children in Need

Many thanks for your donations today and once we have completed counting, we will obviously let you know of our final total.

'Mini Shoppers'

A letter went out recently from FoB providing information on the Mini Shoppers Event. We will resend this as we do not have as many donations as we have done previously. If you do have any items as suggested on the letter, it would be terrific if they could be sent into school to help support this event.

Extra-Curricular Activities

It is brilliant to see the number of children who have taken up the various offers of after school activities! Looking through the registers for these, it would appear that they are all pretty full! We hope the children enjoy attending as much as we enjoy providing them!

Breakfast Club Payments

Our school Breakfast Club is a 'not for profit' opportunity for children to come into school early and receive breakfast prior to going into class. The cost of this is just one pound per session which pays for three members of staff as well as the provisions needed to provide breakfast. Unfortunately, due to some payments not being made, this is currently running at a loss, something which can simply not be sustained, particularly in the current economic climate. Could I please respectfully ask that you check to ensure any outstanding payments are made. If we continue to run at a loss, there is a genuine possibility of us no longer being able to offer this opportunity, something which saddens me to say.

Free School Meal Eligibility

As the cost of living continues to grow ever higher, please be aware that your child might be eligible for free school lunches. Of course, this is a highly sensitive subject but it is now possible to apply for this without needing any kind of discussion with the school. I have provided the link for you to follow to see if you meet eligibility criteria and subsequently apply.

Do remember that this does not simply entitle children to free school lunches; it also provides subsidised school trips and free access to our school Breakfast Club.

Parent Questionnaire

I have shared with you the findings of our questionnaire and given recognition of all comments which you kindly took the time to provide. The full results with various spreadsheets and graphs will be published on the website in due course. The three main areas of concern centred around clubs, the rear access gate to the school and also school lunches. Generic responses to these issues have been provided also and hopefully these will provide some clarification.

Wishing you a pleasant weekend,
Yours Sincerely,

Mr C Gibson