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Dear Parent

World Book Day

World Book Day will take place on 7th March 2024. To mark World Book Day this year, we intend to transform three areas within the school grounds into an interactive experience. Classes will visit these areas where they will have a story read to them.

Within the forest area we will have a Gruffalo themed area. In the school garden area, we will have activities to represent a book entitled 'Anything's Possible' and around the pond we will have a 'Wind in the Willows' themed area.

Pupils will not need to dress up for World Book Day this year.

Car Parking

Once again, we ask that drivers are considerate and thoughtful towards other drivers both in their driving **and their parking**. Please ensure that if you must park your car, you allow for traffic to continue to flow around the turning circle. In addition, please drive slowly when on school grounds.

For the safety of all pupils, we would ask that all drivers show consideration.

Reporting a Pupil Absence

We have been asked by our Educational Welfare Officer to monitor attendance closely for each pupil. One of the aspects which we are monitoring are the recording of reasons for pupil absence. If you child is unable to attend school, please remember to either call the school office, or write a note to the class teacher to give the reason for absence.

In addition, if you need your child to leave school early on a particular day, you should send a note or call the office. We cannot allow children to leave early based on them telling us.

Sports Morning and Final Assembly

Sports morning will be held on Wednesday 5th June. If the weather is inclement our alternative date will be Wednesday 12th June or the first good morning after the 12th June.

Our Leavers' Assembly will take place on Thursday 27th June beginning at 9.30am.

Change of Dinner Menu

We have a change to our published menu for Wednesday 14th February. On that day our school meals service will serve:

Crispy Chicken Goujons Oven Baked Diced Potatoes Heart Shaped Shortbread Orange Juice

We also attach the School Dinner Menu for the remainder of this school year commencing week beginning 19th February.

<u>Half Term</u>

School will close to pupils from 15th February until 19th February for half-term. School will re-open on 20th February.

Dates

14rh February	Year 5 visit to Navan Centre
14 th February	Visit from a local Author
15 th -19 th February	Pupil half term holidays
26 th February	Year 7 visit to F.E. McWilliams Gallery
4 th & 5 th March	Visit from Dogs Trust
13 th March	7-a-side Football Tournament in Annalong
15 th March	Staff Development Day (pupil holiday)
18 th March	St. Patrick's Day holiday
27 th March	End of Term (school closes at 12pm)

Yours sincerely

Principal