Be ready, respectful and resilient

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### **Countdown to Easter**

Welcome back for the start of the new half term; a half term that leads us nicely up to the Easter break! Before the holidays, Easter bunnies and chocolate there is much learning to do and I know the children are ready for the challenge!

We are always talking to the children about the school values (which encompass all we do) and are also reminding the children to seize the day and challenge themselves in every lesson; giving 100% in all they do!

We reward their hard work and their consciousness towards our values every Friday in our Reach for the Stars assembly. From this term forwards, we are going to celebrate their achievements even more!

Any child who is chosen for the Reach for the Stars assembly will also celebrate their achievements with Drink 'n' Treat with the Head Teacher! We really want to acknowledge their continued effort and who does not like hot chocolate, cookies or doughnuts!

So here's to an exciting term ahead. One full of sporting activities, class trips, school visitors and our new and enhanced Reach for the Stars assembly! An exciting term indeed!

I look forward to seeing you all over the next few days and thank you for your continued support.

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# Reading Challenge!

As you know, we recently (with the support of the Friends of Lambley) purchased 200 reading books for the children.

The children have been incredibly enthusiastic about the books and were so excited when the school library opened a few weeks ago. I am extremely proud that the children value reading as much as I do. It is such an important skill.

I write today to ask you to encourage your children to keep reading the books and return them as soon as they have finished them. This is very important as they have 100 books to read during their time at Lambley and once they return them they can start the next! Not only this, but other children can read the book they have returned. This is such a valuable challenge and I thank you for your support.

# **Parking**

I have been asked to mention to you the importance of turning your car engines off once you have parked up outside school. Not only is leaving your engine running illegal, it is also bad for the environment and passing pedestrians and children.

## **WOW Active!**

Recently, the children worked with Mr Robinson to complete a range of activities aimed at improving our general health and fitness. The children's scores have been tallied and each child now has a personalised challenge card designed to help them continue improving their health and fitness. Please look out for these challenge cards, which should be coming home early next week. Please encourage your children to practise the skills and return the card once it is complete. They will then be given a new set of challenges! Over the next few weeks, Mr Robinson will test the children again to see how they have improved. These activities not only improve our general health and fitness but are shown to improve concentration (which will help across all other areas of the curriculum).

# **School lunches:**

We all know how important it is to eat fruit and vegetables as part of a balanced diet and for that reason; it is great to see so many children choosing to have fruit as part of their packed lunch.

We have noticed recently that some children are bringing uncut grapes to school as part of their lunch. We ask that any grapes that are sent into school as part of a packed lunch or snack be cut in half. This reduces the risk of choking and reduces the risk of slipping on them should they end up on the floor. Your support with this is much appreciated.

### **Dates:**

Please find a list of dates for the coming term below. As more events and opportunities arise, we will let you know.

Tues 25<sup>th</sup> Feb – Birch: Great Fire of London Visitors

Tues 25th Feb – Girls' Football match – Ernhale Primary – 3.45pm

Wed 26<sup>th</sup> Feb – Y5 Hockey (Woodborough Woods) – 10am

Fri 28<sup>th</sup> Feb – Maple Cricket Session – 1pm

Mon 2<sup>nd</sup> March – Maple Bikeability session (all day)

Mon 2<sup>nd</sup> March (and every Monday until Easter) Y1 & Y3 Basketball

Tues 3<sup>rd</sup> March – Film Club (3:30pm)

Wed 4th March-Fri 6th March – Y4 Castleton Residential

Thurs 5<sup>th</sup> March – Y3 swimming starts

Mon 9<sup>th</sup> March – Dream Big Assembly (9am)

Wed 11th March – Sing Up Day

Fri 13<sup>th</sup> March – Road Safety Day

Mon 16th March – Parents' Evening

Wed 18th March – Parents' Evening

Tues 24<sup>th</sup> March – Film Club (3:30pm)

Tues 31st March – Willow Balance Bike Training

Fri 3<sup>rd</sup> April – last day of term

Mon 6th April – Friday 17th April – Easter Holiday

Mon 20<sup>th</sup> April – School re-opens (summer term)