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Dear Parents/Carers

We thought we were going to be able to get out on to the grass last week – but the weather didn't quite stay on our side. Perhaps this week, the weather will be kinder. It's looking hopeful today.

Red Nose Day

Groans and the sound of laughter filled the air on Friday as the children embraced the spirit of Red Nose Day. There was red hair and face paints and a lot of reading of jokes. My personal favourites were:

Hear about the new restaurant called Karma?

There's no menu, you get what you deserve!

OR

Where did the pirate buy his microwave?

Arrrgos

Parent Group

I am still keen to set up a Parent Group to discuss any emerging issues in the school. I would like the first meeting to take place via zoom on Tuesday 30th March at 2,00pm. I think that the focus for the first meeting should be - 'Reflections on Remote Learning'. Hopefully, future agendas and the best time for the meetings will be agreed by the group members. I would like to gather a group of representative parents for these discussions — one parent from each year group if possible. If you would like to join the group or if you think there is a better system for enabling parents to have a voice in school matters, please drop me an email — head@hopebrook.gloucs.sch.uk

Asymptomatic testing

A new community-testing site to serve people without Covid-19 symptoms in the Forest of Dean has opened at Cinderford's Miners Welfare Hall. They offer Lateral Flow Tests to help identify the virus in the community. The following link will take you to the Gloucestershire County Council web page for more information.

https://www.gloucestershire.gov.uk/covid-19-information-and-advice/covid-19-testing-in-gloucestershire/testing-for-those-without-covid-symptoms/where-are-the-facilities-located/#main

Keep up the good work and stay safe.

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