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Dear Parents / Carers

Firstly, can I say thank you to all the parents that joined us at the Recreation Ground yesterday. I am glad we managed to mark the Day of Remembrance. We know that our children understand the significance of the 11th November and are always keen to show their respect for the day.

We are hoping to return to face to face events soon – but this week we have received a further request to maintain our covid safe procedures. We have been asked to keep these procedures in place until at least the end of November. We are still seeing some positive test results in our community and thank parents for the considerate decisions they have been making. It is important that we look after each other at these times. In this way, we will minimise the spread of this virus amongst the medically vulnerable members of our school community.

There's lots happening in school next week so hopefully the following reminders will be helpful.

Wednesday 17th November – School Photographs

The photographer will be taking individual photos of each child, class photos and family group photos. The photographer will be taking photos of the children in school and in Pippins. (If your child will not be attending Pippins on Wednesday, but you would like them to have a photograph taken, the photographer will be available before the start of the school day ie from 8.30am.)

The children will bring home the sample photo on Wednesday so you can decide whether you would like to purchase copies.

Woodpeckers will not need outdoor learning clothes on this day – so should wear their school uniform to school.

Thursday 18th November – Parents Evening

At the beginning of next week, we will send home a report card about your child. The report card is a very brief snapshot of how your child is currently doing at school. The purpose of the report card is to provide a starting point for the conversation you have with the class teacher at the parents evening. (Everyone will get their report card next week – whether you are attending parents evening on Thurs 18th or Weds 23rd Nov.)

If you have not booked your slot yet, available slots can be viewed via eschools – via the app or by logging on via the website.

Arrangements for Parents Evening:

- Classrooms will be accessed via the external doors (except Kestrels – which will be accessed via the hall door at the rear of the school)
- One parent per appointment / one appointment per child please
- We will be running a one parent in / one parent out system – so please do not arrive early for your appointment (Please wait outside the classroom for your appointment)
- We will be ringing a bell to aid the smooth running of the evening

- Each parent will be asked to wear a mask – and to sanitise on the way into the classroom. (You will only be asked to sanitise once)

Friday 19th November – Children in Need

This will be a non-uniform day for the Children in Need charity. Contributions to the charity can be made via the link below,

<https://app.parentpay.com/ParentPayShop/Foc/Default.aspx?shopid=4226>

which can also be found on the school website and on Parentpay. We suggest £1 per child – but of course you are welcome to contribute more to the charity if you wish to.

We are happy for children to wear any Children in Need accessories on that day.

Flu Vaccinations

If you have not yet returned your consent form, we would be grateful if these could be returned by Friday 19th November. The form should be returned by all families – whether you are choosing for your child to be immunized or not.

Holiday Activity Programme

Please find attached to this update, some information about activities that are going to be available for children during the Christmas holiday.

Enjoy the weekend,

Stephanie Severn