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Dear Parents / Carers

Welcome back! I hope you managed to have a lovely Easter break. Now we are looking forward to a Bank Holiday weekend. I am finding it hard to believe that it is almost May and the end of Key Stage assessments are almost upon us! It will be another busy term with lots to look forward to - dance classes for KS1, trips for all classes and of course our Jubilee event at the end of term.

Year 3 and 4 trip

On Tuesday 3rd May, all the children in Year 3 and 4 will be going to visit the Mandir in Cheltenham to find out how Hindus worship. The children will be asked to remove their shoes at the entrance to the Mandir and they will be taking gifts of fruit which will be provided by school. The coach will leave school at 9.00am and the children will be back in school by lunchtime.

Parents Evening - Robins and Wagtails

The rescheduled Parents Evening for Robins and Wagtails will take place on Wednesday 4th May. The time slots for these meetings remain the same as the original time slots. Parents should have received an eschools communication - providing a reminder of your personal time slot. If you need to reschedule your appointment time, please contact the school office.

Bishop Robert Visit

On Sunday 8th May, Bishop Robert of Gloucester Diocese will be visiting All Saints Church in Longhope to participate in a confirmation service. The service will take place at 3pm and we hope a group of pupils from Hope Brook will be performing a couple of songs.

Job vacancies

We will be advertising 2 posts this term. We will be re-advertising the After School Club position – as we are looking for somebody to cover three evenings. We will also be advertising a teaching post – the maternity cover for Miss Kay. Information about both of these posts will be available on the 'Vacancies' tab on the school website.

Jubilee Event

Our preparations for this year's Jubilee celebrations are underway. Thank you to everyone who provided flag designs. There were some amazing contributions. We now wait for the final decision. Which design will end up as the flag flying over the recreation ground? I don't think it will be easy to choose a winner!

As a bit of advanced warning, we are planning to have a Jubilee Event at school on Friday 27th May, which is the last day of this term – and a week before the actual Longhope Jubilee Celebrations, (which will take place on Saturday 4th June). We are planning to hold a 'street party' style event on the school playground. Each class will make the decorations for their table – so will be making hats, placemats and a centerpiece. We have fish and chips, followed by ice cream on the menu – always a favourite. After lunch, we are hoping to go over to the recreation ground to see the Jubilee Flag raised on the flagpole. The rest of the afternoon will be spent enjoying some modern and some traditional games such as croquet, quoits, skittles, jenga, Connect 4 etc.

Let's hope for some sunshine that day.

More details about this day to follow.

Enjoy the Bank Holiday weekend and we will see you back in school on Tuesday 3rd May.

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