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Dear Parents / Carers

Book week

Thank you very much to Claire Marchant and Kath Green who organised a most enjoyable book week for the children. Visitors commented on the very positive responses of the children and children have been involved with producing dances, performances, mosaics, poetry and much more. Thank you also to families who contributed towards this event.

Book Fair

Don't forget that all this week there will be a book fair in the large hall. This will be before and after school starting from tomorrow. There are books for all ages. The school receives books on a commission basis so please do come along. We urgently need some volunteers to help us set up and run the book fair for a short time each day. No experience is needed. If you are able to help, please sign up at the office or speak to Kath Green.

Swimming gala

Thank you very much to all adults who organised and supported the swimming gala last week. Claire Keith and Siobhan Burn accompanied 14 children, from years 3-6, to represent Darell at the borough small school's swimming gala. They were all very supportive of each other, and swam very well, both individually and as relay teams. They came second in many of their heats and we look forward to further success at the borough finals, to be held next week.

Netball match

There will be an away netball match after school on Tuesday 9th March at The Vineyard School. Supporters welcome.

Football and netball clubs

The last session for the football club will be on 9th March. On 16th March the A team will have a friendly match against Holy Trinity School and therefore, there is no club due to the match. The netball club will finish on 16th March.

Athletes required

Young athletes are being called upon to represent Richmond at this year's Youth Games. These games are made up of more than 30 events which run from May 25th to June 4th. Athletes between the ages of 8 – 18yrs need to register for team trials which will take place at various venues. To register, or for further information please call Jennie Platt on 020 8831 6355 or email jennie.platt@richmond.gov.uk

SEN consultation

Following on from proposals for primary Special Educational Needs provision, the Local Authority has now produced proposals for secondary SEN provision. The consultation leaflet has been posted at www.richmond.gov.uk/sen_consultation or alternatively we can provide a paper copy if required. The consultation period ends on 31st March.

Vouchers

As well as Sainsbury's we are also collecting Tesco's and Flora vouchers. Please forward to the school office.

PTA meeting

The next PTA meeting is on Friday 19th March in the small hall just after drop off (9.00am) all welcome to attend. Agenda items will include: Welcome & introductions; minutes & matters arising; teachers' report; treasurer's report; playground update; Easter egg raffle; Richmond, Kew and Darell Summer Fair dates and details; Any other business.

Possible football tournament

The PTA have been considering organising an after school football tournament which would run after school possibly for a few weeks depending on the number of teams involved. To consider whether this could be a possibility they would need to know whether there is someone in the school community who could referee one day after school for a few weeks, most probably after Easter. If you think you would be able to help with this please let a member of the PTA committee know (Ray Ferris, Fern Roberts or Daniel Drake) or inform the school office.

Darell classified

Do you have something you would like to sell? Or a skill to offer ? .

If so ... all you have to do is place an advert in Darell classified - it costs £1 and you put your advert in a box at reception or email it to clare.vollum@blueyonder.co.uk by 21st March

Relief SMSAs

If you would be interested in being considered for the role of a relief SMSA please let the school office know. This would involve being called upon to cover a lunch duty in the event of absence.

Storytelling and dance performances

You will receive a letter regarding Indian storytelling and dance workshops that have been arranged to support learning and celebrate Holi.

Guitar

Gary McNeillie, the guitar teacher who usually works with children on Wednesdays, is unable to come in this week and will try to organise an additional session for children next week.

Are you leaving?

We have recently had enquiries for places next year and it would be helpful for us to know if there are any children who will be leaving at the end of the year, particularly in KS2. If you are aware that you will be leaving the area or moving onto another school please let the school know as soon as possible so that we can offer places to new families. Many thanks.

Laura Khalil
Headteacher

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