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Dear Parents,

It hasn't been too long since the last school newsletter, however there are a selection of news items that I felt it would be useful to provide further details about.

World Book Day

Thursday 5th March 2020 is World Book Day and, as mentioned on previous letters, we will not be holding a dressing up day this year but will be partaking in World Book Day themed activities within our classrooms. We are also asking all children to bring in a favourite book that they can share with a 'book buddy' from another year group during the day. In addition to this, you will have received information about our 'recommendation on a postcard' competition which all children are welcome to enter. The closing date for this is on World Book Day and winners will be announced in our Friday assembly with an overall winner from each age group receiving a book token as a prize.

Every child in the school will also be bringing home a World Book Day book token which can be used to purchase one of the fifteen World Book Day titles which are available in most book shops. Alternatively, it can be used to get £1 off the cost of any other full price book. The token can be used until Sunday 29th March 2020 and a full list of the World Book Day titles can be found at www.worldbookday.com/books/.

Sports Relief

We are fundraising for Sports Relief by holding a non-uniform day on Friday 13th March 2020. Children are welcome to come to school dressed in their own clothes and we would much appreciate a donation towards Sports Relief (suggested donation £1). We will also be selling Sports Relief wristbands during the week commencing Monday 9th March 2020 for £1.

Coronavirus update

As you are aware, we sent home an information poster last week with information from Public Health England relating to the prevention of the spread of the coronavirus. As the poster states, the most important thing we can do in school is to encourage good hygiene and remind children and staff to wash their hands regularly and we will be reminding all children of the importance of hand hygiene. We received notification today that the Department for Education has set up a new helpline which is available to all staff, parents and young people. For your information, the telephone number for this helpline is 0800 046 8687 and opening hours are 8am to 6pm (Monday to Friday). The email address for the helpline is DfE.coronavirushelpline@education.gov.uk

Climate Change Champions

We are thrilled to announce that our Year 6 class are through to the national finals for the Environment Agency Climate Change Champions competition which will take place at Birmingham NEC as part of the Big Bang Science Fair on Thursday 12th March. We will be travelling down to meet with the judges and are excited to share our work on climate change as part of the event. As a result, the Year 6 parent's evening has been rescheduled for the following week. Year 6 parents have already been informed of the arrangements but I thought it important to celebrate this achievement with our whole school community, particularly as this is the first time a primary school have been included in the awards ceremony. Well done Year 6!

Yours sincerely,

Mrs A Harvey