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FRIDAY LETTER

#### Dear Parents and carers,

#### **Parent Consultations**

It is our Parents' Evening on **Tuesday 28<sup>th</sup> and Wednesday 29<sup>th</sup> March** for Years Reception to Year 5. Thank you to everyone who has booked their appointments, the window for this closed yesterday so if you forgot to make an appointment, or should you wish to make any changes after this date please contact the school office. Thank you in advance for your attendance at this important evening, which provides you with an opportunity to discuss your child's progress this year and plays a key role in helping to ensure that we work in partnership with you to support your child's education.

#### **Creativity Week**

Next week is Creativity Week, and our focus is inspirational people.

As part of the curriculum, we aim to introduce the children to a range of inspirational people. This can be through important people linked to specific subjects such as science or history, special assemblies and through the Commando Jo units. It is important children learn about and are inspired by hearing stories and learning about the lives of people throughout history who have had a significant impact on the world.

During Creativity Week, each class will write a biography and complete artwork on a chosen 'inspirational person'. We will start our week with an assembly, talking about what 'inspiration' means and asking the children, who might inspire them. On Thursday we will have a mix up afternoon, where children will split into mixed year age groups and work with a member of staff on 'inspirational' activities

We end the week on Friday with our wonderful Easter Egg Competition, and the theme of inspirational people continues, as we ask that your children decorate their eggs as a person or an event that inspired them. Some of the people we are focusing on next week are:-

- David Attenborough
- Ann Bancroft (first woman to reach the North Pole on foot)
- Ada Lovelace (computing pioneer)
- Charles Babbage (computing pioneer)
- Rosa Parks
- Malala Yousafzai
- Anne Frank
- Nick Vujicic (born without any limbs, inspirational speaker)

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- Martin Luther King Jr.
- Edward Jenner
- Nelson Mandela
- Jane Goodall
- Marcus Rashford

Hopefully we have given you a few ideas, or at least 'inspired' you.

## **Football Results**

After a long break over the winter months, our 7-a-side season resumed with the second round of fixtures along at Ryton Juniors. It was another great night of football, but goals were hard to come by in all games - in fact the ball only made it into the back of the net four times in all ten games played! It was a long-awaited win over Emmaville (who usually come out on top in this fixture) and that was the highlight of the evening. Draws in the other three fixtures see Crookhill sitting third in the league and with another round of games to play next week there's still everything to play for. Well done to all of the team: goals from Josh B and Lewis D; Reo B off his sick-bed to play all minutes without a rest; solid performance in goal from Taylor S and quality defensive displays and mid-field battling from Calvin K, Matthew S, Finlay H and Adem K.

## **National Skipping Day**

Today was National Skipping Day and everyone had a great time taking part in games throughout the day. Each class took part in a skipping workshop, trying different techniques of skipping with hoops and ropes and long rope challenges. There were some fantastic skills on show, with everyone having fun exercising together.

### **School Lunch Price Increase**

From April the price of a school meal will increase to £3 per day, £15 per week. Key Stage 1 children, that is all pupils in Reception, Year 1 and Year 2 will continue to receive government funded free school meals. A school meal still represents good value for money, with a varied menu prepared on site by our experienced kitchen staff with fresh local sourced produce.

### **Spring Term House Point Champions**

Congratulations to Stargate (blue team) on being the house point champions for Spring Term with a total of 4138 house points. They will be rewarded with a team treat next week. House captains gave fabulous motivational team talks in assembly today to encourage their teams to work hard and collect as many house points as they can next term. The scores were as follows:

Stargate (blue): 4138Hedgefield (green): 3960Crookhill (yellow): 3722Runhead (red): 3633

Enjoy your weekend and we'll see you all on Monday for the last week of term. Yours sincerely, Miss K McCormack Head Teacher









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