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Dear Parents,

Welcome back to term 4. It was great to see everyone back in school on Tuesday and ready for the challenges and excitement of the new term.

EYFS have already had a busy start to term 4 with their class visit to Court Farm. It was a fantastic day out with the opportunity to spend time with the farmer, visit and feed the animals (including some very cute lambs!) learn about working farms and enjoy some time in an exciting adventure playground. Thank you to all our parents who came along to help.

Themes are continuing from last term and new parent overviews will go out in the next few days. As usual these will be working on the same theme but with new areas of focus for many subjects. In addition to our usual theme work, we are looking forward to World Book and World Maths day next Thursday 7<sup>th</sup> March. Children are invited to wear book character costumes to school and will be spending the day working on maths from stories – our clever way to combine these two significant days! Don't forget, you are invited to come in for a shared story session in your child's class from 3.00pm onwards. This is an informal opportunity for you to come in and share books with your child and a few friends.

As some of you may have seen in the news this week, there have been many reports nationwide of the 'Momo challenge' which features a Japanese sculpture. This 'challenge' reportedly shows/tells children to partake in sinister activities and, worryingly, it is apparently appearing during seemingly innocent videos on Youtube and Youtube Kids such as Peppa Pig. We wanted to make you aware so that you can be extra vigilant and help to keep your children safe online. Below is a link to the National Online Safety guide that has been produced to inform parents and carers about the 'challenge' and how they can help their children if they encounter it. This leaflet is also included as an attachment in case the link does not open properly. We would urge you to read this yourselves and then spend time with your children talking about this. We have had a more general e-safety reminder in school this afternoon, talking to the children about what to do if they are exposed to any material which frightens them or makes them feel uncomfortable.

<https://2j39y52a62gm1afygb3g1xbu-wpengine.netdna-ssl.com/wp-content/uploads/2019/02/MOMO-Online-Safety-Guide-for-Parents-FEB-2019.jpg>

Two other dates for your diary are as follows:

Monday 4<sup>th</sup> March 3.45: SATs meeting for year 6 parents and children – crèche provided

Thursday 7<sup>th</sup> March 4.00-4.45: SRE (Sex and relationship meeting) – An opportunity to view the materials we are using this year to teach our sex and relationship programme across the school. This is the same as last year. If you would like to come along and view the materials for your children's year group and ask any questions, you would be very welcome.

As Spring begins to arrive, our thoughts turn to Easter! This year we are hoping to have our largest decorated Easter egg competition ever so begin googling those ideas and planning your eggs with your usual high level of



creativity. The closing date for entries will be Tuesday April 2<sup>nd</sup> and there will be prizes in a range of categories this year. We hope to have a large display in time for our Easter festivities on Thursday April 4<sup>th</sup>. Prizes will be announced in our Easter assembly on Thursday April 4<sup>th</sup> at 9.10am. This assembly will last approximately 45 minutes.

On Thursday 21<sup>st</sup> March we have a very early camp meeting for parents of our current year 5 pupils. If you think you may be interested in your child attending camp when they are in year 6, please come along after school on this date to find out more information. There is absolutely no commitment at this point; it is just an opportunity for you to find out more.

We look forward to seeing you all on either the 12<sup>th</sup> or 13<sup>th</sup> of March during our parent evenings. A letter will be emailed out later today regarding this. Steve Wells, our Chair of Governors will be serving tea, coffee and cakes as usual and there will be an opportunity for you to complete a parent questionnaire to provide some useful feedback to us.

We look forward to working with you through term 4,

Yours sincerely

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