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NEWSLETTER – Part 1

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As there is so much going on over the next few weeks, we have decided to publish the school newsletter early this week, to give you as much notice as possible for many of the events detailed below.



Parents' Evening

Everybody should have received a letter yesterday about our upcoming **Parents' Evenings**, which will be held on Tuesday 27th & Wednesday 28th February. To ensure that you receive an appointment time on the day of your choice, it is important for all of these forms to be returned to school before Thursday. This will also enable us to send out all appointment times on Friday.

In addition to meeting with your child's class teacher and viewing some of your children's work, Miss Simcock will be running a **Scholastic Book Fair** in the school hall and staff from The Grange Academy will be present to discuss high school placements for children in upper Key Stage 2. *The Book Fair will be open from 3:10pm every day from Thursday 22nd February to Wednesday 28th February:*

- Thursday 3:10pm to 4:00pm
- Friday 3:10pm to 4:00pm
- Monday 3:10pm to 4:00pm
- Tuesday 3:10pm to 6:30pm
- Wednesday 3:10pm to 5:30pm



Last term we raised £197 in commission for new books for the school library. It would be great, with your support, that we could raise a similar amount this month too.

Please note: As all of the teachers will be busy during both Parents' Evenings, there will be no Homework Club or Year 6 SAT Booster Club next week.

Internet Safety Day

Today we celebrated Internet Safety Day. The day started with all of the children attending a morning assembly, led by Miss Whiting, which focused on how the children use technology and how to use it appropriately.



The children then learnt about what it means to be Internet Awesome – and what each class would be learning about throughout the remainder of the day. The children in each class will be sharing what makes them happy (and unhappy) when they are online in our Family Assembly on Friday; along with the key messages and mascots that they have created this week.

World Book Day – Thursday 1st March

Next Thursday is World Book Day. As has been the case in previous years, all of the children are invited to come to school, on this day, dressed as one of their favourite book characters and to bring into school their favourite book from home (to share with their friends).

During the day the children will take part in a variety of fun reading activities and be given the chance to see how all of the other children in school are dressed. This is always a very special day – and one that the children remember for a long time. It would be great if every child in our school took part.

Value of the Half Term – Self-Control

Every half term we choose a value that becomes the focus of our assemblies, discussions in class, some PSHE lessons and our 'You've Been Spotted' board. Since September we have focused on Caring, Trust and Kindness. Our 'new' value is Self Control.



This week the children will be learning and discussing what self-control means and encouraged to demonstrate this in school (as well as at home and when they are with their friends). Discussing when your child demonstrates good self-control at home – and setting them challenges to show greater self-control in certain situations (e.g. not getting angry when it's time to switch off the tv / electrical devices before they go to bed, speaking calmly when a sibling is trying to wind them up and not losing their temper) – would be a good way to reinforce what your child is learning in school.

It is also important for the children to remain positive, even when they face problems, challenges and work in school that they initially find difficult; and remaining in control so they give themselves the very best chance to succeed. It will be great to see the impact of our pupils showing greater self-control on their work, their friendships and how other children value and respect them.



Mother's Day Surprise Room



Following the success and positive feedback about the Christmas Surprise Room, Friends of Halton Lodge (FOHLs) have agreed to open a Surprise Room ahead of Mother's Day.

For just £2, your child will be able to enter the Surprise Room and choose a gift for their mum, mummy, grandma, nan or carer – which they will wrap and write the gift tag for before they bring the gift home on Friday 9th March (ahead of Mothering Sunday).

If your child/children would like to participate in the Surprise Room on Wednesday 7th March, please complete the form below and return it to school - with the correct money in a sealed envelope - by 28th February 2018. This will help us to ensure that we have time to purchase the correct number of gifts and no-one is disappointed on the day.

Thank you in advance - your support is very much appreciated!

2018 Mothers Day Surprise Room



Child(ren)'s name.....

Class.....

	Price	Quantity	Total
Gift for mum	£2.00		
Gift for grandma	£2.00		

I have enclosed a total of £.....

These gifts are for:

Please write the names as you would like them to appear on the label.

Reminder: The 'old' £10 notes will no longer be legal tender from 1st March 2018 onwards – so the school will not be able to accept these for any payments from next Thursday onwards!



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