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Dear Parents and Carers,

Thank you to everyone for your kind messages following my absence from school over the past few weeks. It is really great to be back and to see everyone again and share all the wonderful learning happening within school.

Anti-Bullying week

This week has been Anti Bullying Week at school. Through whole school assemblies and within the children's classes the teachers have been carrying out lots of activities linked to the subject; highlighting what bullying actually is, what to do if you feel someone is bullying you and developing ways to ensure it is something that does not happen at our school. I can assure parents that every incident of unacceptable behaviour is investigated thoroughly and dealt with, with appropriate consequences linked to the school's behaviour policy. As a parent it is your role to support the school in a mature, rational way when dealing with any potential inappropriate incidents.

Take Over Day

Today is Take Over Day for the children in Year 6. This is a special day where children in Year 6 all over the country enjoy a day of 'work experience'. This year the children have spent the day at Roedean Fire Station being fire fighters for the day and Lewes Police Station shadowing a Police Officer. Every year the children have fantastic fun on Take Over Day; I would like to thank all the adults and parents who have given their time to ensure it is so successful.

Sport

Throughout the past few weeks Barcombe children have continued to dominate much of the local sporting features. We are very proud of our sporting success and the way in which our children demonstrate good sportsmanship when representing the school. Last week groups of children from a number of local schools came to Barcombe for Sport Play Leader Training. The children were all trained to help and support children at playtime and to lead children in playground games.

Infant Parent Notice

Please can parents of children in the Infants ensure they stay with their children once they have received them from the Class Teacher. I am becoming increasingly concerned that children are being allowed to run / scoot around the playground or climb on the school equipment when under parent supervision. Please work with us to ensure the safety of all the children whilst on the school site. Thank you.

Helping Your Child At Home

Please ensure you listen to your child read three times a week and record you have done this in your child's reading record. There are an increasing number of children who are not reading regularly at home and this is concerning the class teachers. As a school we are working really hard to improve our children's general reading abilities. We need you to continue to help us ensure all children are able to read fluently, enjoy and understand stories. Hopefully this will lead to a lifelong love of reading.

Thank you

Sarah Wheatley and the Friends of Liuli would like to say a huge thank you to all parents at Barcombe school who donated uniform and shoes to the school and hospital in Tanzania, Dr Sam and his wife were overwhelmed by their generosity. It is an ongoing collection, so items can still be left at St Francis Church.

Upcoming Events

Tuesday, 25.11.14 – 9.30am-11.30am Open Morning for New Reception Children 2015

Tuesday, 25.11.14 – Author visiting Squirrel Class

Thursday, 27.11.14 – 9am Fox Class Assembly

Friday, 28.11.14 – Break Out of Barcombe – Year 2

Tuesday, 02.12.14 –Open Morning for New Reception Children 2015

Friday, 05.12.14 – Fox Class Dancing Enterprise Event – 2.30pm

Saturday, 06.12.14 – PTA Christmas Fair – 12-3pm

Monday, 08.12.14 – Final payments due for Hindleap Trips (Yr 5 £40/Yr 4 £17)

Thursday, 11.12.14 – KS1 Christmas Performance - 9am

Thursday, 11.12.14 – 5.30pm Year 6 Big Sing Performance, Eastbourne

Tuesday, 16.12.14 – Christmas Pantomime

Wednesday, 17.12.14 – PTA £1.50 stall. Christmas Lunch (don't forget to pre-order)

Thursday, 18.12.14 – Christmas Carol Concert at St Mary's Church – 2pm

Friday, 19.12.14 – End of Term 2

Best Wishes

Mr S James
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