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Dear Parents

Year 5 and 6 Class Assembly

On Friday 13th February the children in Year 5 and 6 will be presenting a special assembly about their Local History and Geography work. The assembly will begin at 2.45pm in the School Hall, all families and friends are welcome.

Poppy Appeal

We have been informed by The Royal British Legion that a total of £147.62 was donated from this school to their appeal last year. This was the largest total from any school in the area. Thank you for your support, The Royal British Legion says that without your help, they would be unable to continue their vital welfare and benevolent work.

Sainsbury's Active Kids Vouchers

We are again taking part in Sainsbury's Active Kids 2015 – collecting vouchers for new P.E. and cookery equipment. Active Kids vouchers can be collected from 28th January until 5th May at all Sainsbury's stores, petrol stations and when ordering groceries online. Please put the vouchers in the collection box outside the School Office.

International School Award

Mrs Hanger and Mrs Frow worked very hard to submit the documentation to have our International School Award reaccredited. The assessor's comments were particularly impressive and included, "This is an excellent Impact Evaluation and a credit to your school. You show an understanding and appreciation of the importance of international learning as an integral part of the curriculum and school ethos. The work you have done so far clearly points to your passion for and commitment to introducing and maintaining excellent practice right across the curriculum."

Parents – come and join us

We are continuing to increase parental involvement within the school. With this in mind, the following sessions have been organised for parents to come into school to see what goes on:

Monday 2 nd March at 9am	Spanish – see how Mrs Whitehead teaches Spanish	Open to all
Tuesday 3 rd March at 9am	Peer massage & our anti-bullying programme R-Time	Open to all
Wednesday 4 th March at 9am	Japan – help your child make a Koinabori	Years 1 & 2
Tuesday 10 th March at 9am	Art – work with your child on their art project	Years 3 & 4

Robert Smyth Development Committee

The Governors of the Robert Smyth Academy are looking for a group of current/interested Year 5 and/or Year 8 parents to attend a meeting on Monday 16th March. The focus of the meeting will be for parents to ask any questions and provide thoughts on how they would like to see the Academy proceed in their new 11-19 era. The details of the meeting are as follows:

Date: Monday 16th March **Time:** 6.00pm

Venue: Robert Smyth Academy in the Library (via the main entrance)

Anyone interested in attending this meeting and/or would like to raise a point for discussion please contact Mr M Scully on mmscully@rsacademy.co.uk

Transport Policy

We have been asked by Leicestershire County Council to pass the following information on to parents:

New Mainstream Transport Policy

This is a further reminder that the mainstream home to school transport policy for new intake students has changed for the 2015-16 academic year starting this September. Parents of secondary transfer pupils will be reminded again that transport arrangements will change in a link/leaflet provided with their admission offer on 2nd March and will get formal confirmation on whether they will be entitled to free transport (10+, 11+ and 14+ transfer groups) about 1 month later in early April.

First time admission pupils in primary schools will be contacted similarly during May and June.

The new policy is available this website along with FAQs at:

http://www.leics.gov.uk/school_college_transport.htm

After School Care

Bookings are now being taken for the next half term. Mrs Raymakers has a form which needs completing, even if you're a regular user of After School Care the form needs completing. Places are limited so please contact Mrs Raymakers as soon as possible. A door bell has been fitted to the Infant Cloakroom door so that when you collect your child/children you can alert Mrs Willcock to your presence.

Rags2Riches

The next Rags2Riches collection will take place on Thursday 5th March. Please return your bag by 9am to the School Office. The items which can be put in the bag include: adults' and children's clothing, bedding, soft toys, paired shoes, hats, belts and handbags. Please only use the Rags2Riches bags or plain plastic bags.

Parents' Evening

Our Parents' Evenings are on Wednesday 25th February between 3.30pm – 5.30pm and on Thursday 26th February between 5.00pm – 7.30pm. Appointment times are available from class teachers, letters will be sent out later this week and as always; if these times are not convenient please contact the class teacher for a mutually agreeable date and time.

Cross Country

Foxton was very well represented at the last week's Cross Country. The children competed very well with improved places since the last race. Hopefully, it will have warmed up a bit for the next event on Thursday 5th March.

World Book Day

World Book Day is on Thursday 5th March and to celebrate we would like the children to come to school on that day dressed as a character from a book.

We will be sending home a World Book Day voucher with each child. You can take their voucher to a local bookseller and exchange it for one of ten books. Or, if you'd rather, you can use it to get £1 off any full book price at a participating bookshop or book club (terms and conditions apply).

Achievement Assembly

This month's Achievement Assembly will take place Friday 27th February at 2.45pm. Class Cups are being presented for achievements in Writing and Spelling. Refreshments will be available from 2.25pm.

Read for my School

This is for children in Years 3, 4, 5 & 6. How many of the books has your child read? If you need reminding of the login and password, please contact Mrs Thurlby. The Read for my School website is: www.readformyschool.co.uk. This website includes a library of over 150 online books to choose from and access freely until Friday 20th March. Thank you for supporting the Read for my School project.

Yours sincerely

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