News from Cumnor School

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Dear Parents,

I hope you found the Teacher / Parent meetings this week useful. If you didn't have a chance to attend, please get in touch with your child's class teacher to make an alternative date.

Coronavirus COVID-19
I am sure you realise that we are in unprecedented territory as far as the COVID-19 Coronavirus is concerned and so, along with the rest of the country, other schools and the government, we are taking on board all the information available to us at the time and adjusting our response accordingly.
To help the ease of communication we have now added a dedicated coronavirus webpage to the school website (www.cumnorprimaryschool.co.uk) This page has all the latest information we are getting through from the DfE and also includes the government's action plan and our own Coronavirus Action Plan. The web page is being updated daily.

As a school we have now formulated our own action plan for dealing with the Coronavirus outbreak. A copy of this is attached and also available on the website. The key points are:

- We are ensuring everything at school is kept as clean as possible.
- Children and staff are encouraged to use good hygiene practices.
- If school is required to close as a result of government policy, staff will provide Home Learning Work to their classes.
- Additionally, the school may have to close if staff shortages mean that staff / pupil ratios are inadequate for safe working.

We are all aware that the pandemic is now likely to worsen before it improves. To that end we are asking that you support our school community by acting immediately on any health concerns you have. Please do not send your child to school if they have a new cough, fever or shortness of breath. Our staff are also alert to these symptoms and if a child develops them or staff have any other concerns, parents will be called to take their child home and call 111 for advice.
Thank you for support at this difficult time.

Parent Survey
For a number reason we weren't able to launch the annual parent survey at parents evenings this week. It is really important to us that we receive a good response to our surveys so that we can have a good understanding of what you feel we do well and what can be improved, rather than us simply responding to a disproportionate perspective. Please could you find 5 minutes to complete the questionnaire on Survey Monkey before the end of term? Thank you.

https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/872TCumnor

Gymnastics team
Well done to all our gymnasts; Heidi, Gracie, Cerys, Niamh, Amelia, Sophie, Greyson, Stella and Ebonie, and many thanks to Koni and Katja for taking the children to the gymnastics competition this week. The children performed beautifully and we hope they enjoyed the experience. Well done to all of them.

PTA Committee News
Thank you to everyone who purchased a little or a lot at our second-hand uniform sale earlier this week. We plan to have one more sale before the end of the year. Date tbc so please watch this space for details!

Due to the current public health situation and associated recommendations, **Bingo Night has been cancelled**. We are sorry about this change of plan and if possible, we will try to hold a similar event at a later date in the year.

We do still hope to hold a **Spring Raffle** for the children before they go on Easter Break. So please do donate a chocolate bunny or egg for the raffle if you can. Just drop them into the office anytime over the next 2 weeks. Many thanks in advance!

WEEK 1 menus

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Chicken and Sweetcorn Pasta Bake Or Cheese and Tomato Pizza	Toad-in-the-Hole with Gravy Or Vegetarian Meatballs with Rice and Gravy	Roast Chicken with Stuffing Or Roast Quorn Fillet with Stuffing	Savoury Minced Beef with Creamed Potatoes Or Vegetable Lasagne with Garlic Bread	Oven Baked Fish Fingers Or Cheese and Tomato Pinwheel

What's my child been doing this week?

Reception	Being scientific in our role-play area, finding different capacities in maths and learning our new sounds th and f.
Year 1	Finding quarters of shapes and quantities, reading alternative versions of Cinderella and having a strong castle building challenge.
Year 2	Division, reading the Hodgeheg by Dick King Smith and creating art inspired by Andy Goldsworthy in Forest School.
Year 3	Predicting future events in the Tempest, solving missing number problems and learning about the Spanish Armada.
Year 4	Measuring with, and converting between, different units of length, planning and writing our own Roman myths and creating a Roman mosaic design.
Year 5	Drawing and estimating angles, performing plays and writing play scripts and enjoying some Olympic sport activities.
Year 6	Solving problems involving ratio and proportion, editing and improving our stories and painting our shabti dolls.

Next week:

16th – 20th March	All week	Year 6 residential visit to Woodlands
Friday 20th March	All Day	Year 4 visit to Chedworth Roman Villa

Have a good weekend, and stay safe,

Ed Read
Headteacher