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'Educating For Life In All Its Fullness'

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Dear Families,

Thank you for all your generous and thoughtful donations in support of the Lord Mayor's Charity (Mencap Leeds). The children looked fantastic during our non-uniform day.

This half term has been very productive in Class 4. In English, we have completed two exciting pieces: a brochure persuading readers to visit Planet Mars and a balanced argument titled "*Is Earth the Best Planet?*". The children challenged themselves by using persuasive language and devices, as well as writing in a more formal tone. We have also continued reading *Tom's Midnight Garden*, engaging with the text through a range of excellent comprehension activities.

In Maths, we have been learning about decimals and percentages, and we are now ready to move on to perimeter, area and volume.

In RE, we explored key aspects of Sikhism, and in PSHE we discussed the ways media can sometimes misrepresent reality.

As part of our Design and Technology work, the children designed a meal using seasonal fruit and vegetables. Some pupils have already completed their cooking project at home and thoroughly enjoyed preparing their dishes for their families.

School expectations.

I would like to kindly remind everyone of a few school expectations to help ensure a calm, safe and focused learning environment for all children.

• No make-up or nail polish:

Please ensure that children do not wear make-up or nail polish to school. This helps us maintain a consistent and appropriate appearance for all pupils.

• No sweets brought into school (except birthdays):

Children should not bring sweets or treats into school unless it is their birthday. In those cases, all sweets must be handed directly to me. This ensures that children do not eat them unsupervised or during lunch time.

• No toys in school:

Toys (including fidget toys) should not be brought into school (unless agreed with me), as they can be distracting during lessons and can negatively impact behaviour.

• Disposable water bottle filled with water only

Juice, squash or flavoured drinks are not permitted in the classroom.



Thank you for your support in helping us maintain a positive and productive school environment. If you have any questions, please feel free to get in touch.

500-word short story competition!

We're excited to announce a 500-word short story competition open to all children in school, being held to celebrate our Book Fair Week! Young writers are invited to let their imaginations run wild and write a story on any topic of their choice—adventure, mystery, fantasy, humour, or something completely unique. This is a wonderful opportunity for pupils to showcase their creativity and storytelling skills, and there's an extra incentive too: the winners will receive vouchers to spend at the Book Fair. The deadline for entries is 23rd February, so get writing and join us in celebrating our love of books and stories!

Celebration Assembly

Congratulations to **Maryam** for her Wonderful Work and to **Francesca** for her Brilliant Behaviour! They are amazing children!

Homework

This week, they will practise:

- 10 new spellings
- Spring 1 statutory spellings
- Reading: 1 Printed text for Year 5 – 1 Booklet test for Year 6
- Maths: 1 Maths test on decimals and percentages for Y5 and Y6 children.
- SPaG: 1 test for Y6 children on verbs in perfect form.

Have a lovely half-term break,
Mrs Wright

