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Dear Parents and Carers

First and foremost, we hope this letter finds you all well and you have enjoyed a promising start to 2023. The children have started the new year well and have hit the ground running with their new topics and activities.

Please find a few useful updates below -

### **Severe Weather arrangements**

In the event of a school closure due to severe weather, you will be notified by text and email. Please also look at the schools rolling banner on the website.

As a reminder to you all, on the first day of absence due to the weather, your child's class teacher will share learning activities via Class Dojo, this will not include an online lesson. If the severe weather brings about multiple days of closure, then a schedule of lessons will be sent out to you via Class Dojo, much like we did in lockdown.

### **Homework**

The teachers and I have recently reviewed our homework approach. Our weekly diet of reading and spelling continues; we encourage our children to read five times a week and there will be a spelling quiz once a week for Years 1-6.

In addition, your child may come home with either Maths or Reading Comprehension activities each week, if they are in Year 2 and above. Expectations will vary between year groups, as we prepare our older children for secondary school.

Finally, your child will have an opportunity to undertake a Learning Conversation; a task based around the topic of the class and has a more creative outcome!

Class teachers will continue to share their expectations with you each week.

### **Celebration!**

In just a few short weeks we have enjoyed some exciting activities...

Yellow class thoroughly enjoyed an exciting morning in their Drumming workshop, with Fab Drumming and played with lots of enthusiasm!

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Year 4 have visited the Ashford Education Centre for their river studies, which was a fascinating trip and will prove useful for their topic this term. They are also attending a football tournament this afternoon at Fairlands and we wish them luck!

A reminder that Bikeability starts this week for Years 4 and 5, an event which the children always love. Year 6 will also be attending Life Skills in Bristol on 2nd February.

### **Reminders for your calendars**

- Parents evening – Week beginning 20<sup>th</sup> February – booking information to follow
- World Book Day – Thursday 2<sup>nd</sup> March – details to follow
- PTFA Quiz night – Friday 10<sup>th</sup> March
- Comic relief – Friday 17<sup>th</sup> March - details to follow

Thank you for your continued support and enthusiasm for the many events taking place over the coming weeks and months.

Kind regards

*Lorna Richardson and Andrea Muxworthy*

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**Executive Headteacher / Head of School**