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Dear Parents/Carers,

Welcome back to the new term. We hope you all had a good break and managed to enjoy the spring weather when it came.

We have a busy term coming up and next week seems especially packed with pancake races, a dance competition and cross-country races on Tuesday and World Book Day on Thursday. Rev T and Rev Clary will also be in school on Wednesday to lead a special Ash Wednesday Service for KS2 children.

Evensong at Canterbury Cathedral – Monday 3rd March

On Monday 3rd March the school is going to be included in the prayers of intercession at the Evensong service at Canterbury Cathedral. Anyone who wants to attend in person can. Otherwise the service is also going to be live streamed on the Canterbury Cathedral YouTube Channel: <https://www.canterbury-cathedral.org/worship/our-services/online-worship/>. (The service can also be re-watched on the Evensong Playlist on the YouTube Channel at a later date.)

Leaving Before the End of the School Day

We seem to have a growing number of pupils who are leaving early for various reasons in the afternoon such as catching the bus, appointments for parents/siblings and outside lessons/clubs. This is proving disruptive to classes. Please try to avoid taking your child out early and make appointments outside school time. Many thanks for your co-operation.

World Book Day – Thursday 6th March

A reminder that on World Book Day, children can choose to come dressed as a character, bring a prop or wear their own clothes. Children should already have brought home sponsorship forms and their book tokens. On the day, children will be creating cardboard characters to add to a school reading display and contributing to a whole school poem.

During assembly the children will be able to choose one of the free World Book Day books to bring home and enjoy, provided by Adam Taylor from The Classroom. The children do not need their book token for this.

Finally, please do send in photos of the 'Extreme Reading Challenge' of children reading in unusual places. It looks to be a fun-packed day and we are very grateful to Mrs Gooderham for her hard work in organising the events.



Save the Date – London Marathon

We have managed to secure 25 places in the 1 mile TCS Mini London Marathon and 15 places for the 2.5 km race. This will take place on Saturday 25th April. If your child/ren are keen to take part, please keep the date free and keep a look out for more information which will come from Mrs Gooderham shortly.

Have a lovely weekend.

Yours sincerely

Handwritten signatures of Alison Higgins and Jo Duhig in blue ink.

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