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Dear Parents and Carers,

Holne Chase's Rapid Improvement

On Tuesday this week, the Preston Hedges Trust's School Improvement Partner (Sally Manz) spent the day at our school where she met with staff and children to discuss the ongoing development and improvement of our school. During the visit, she had the opportunity to talk to the children and observe lessons in reading and geography across the whole school.

She was blown away by the rapid improvement of the school since September and was impressed with the teaching and learning taking place in all classes.

Some of the strengths Sally identified following her visit were:

- ✓ Engagement of the children
- ✓ Quality of children's learning behaviours
- ✓ Children's recall of knowledge in the subject areas
- ✓ The development of the learning environment
- ✓ Improvement of the reading provision across all year groups
- ✓ Reading development of children across Early Years and Year 1
- ✓ Children's ability to discuss reading in Key Stage Two
- ✓ Staff's commitment and effort in ensuring good learning opportunities for all children

I was super impressed with the maturity of our children throughout the day and immensely proud of the whole staff who continually go above and beyond to ensure that our children have an exceptional place to learn. I am sure you will all join me in thanking the Holne Chase team for their commitment to our school and its continual development.



Reading

Well done to all the children who have been rewarded as Reading Champion since we implemented the rewards last week. Reading Champions are those children who are identified as making a commitment to developing their reading ability both at school and at home. Please continue to read with your child at home, each day, and record in their reading records when any reading is completed.

Reading Champions will receive a book from our vending machine for them to keep. (*Trophies remain in school*)

Mother's Day

We hope that all our female parents and carers had a fantastic and well-deserved Mother's Day last week. It was lovely to celebrate with lots of you last week and it was great to see so many of you turn up and spend some quality time with your children.



Extra-Curricular Clubs

Yesterday, the children attended an assembly and workshop hosted by RockSteady who are a company that conduct a weekly club (during school) with children to form their own rock band. You will receive a letter today with information of how you can sign your child up to attend the club for a cost of £37.20 a month. At the end of each half term, you will be invited to see your child's rock band during a school performance.

There are still spaces for some of the **free** clubs being run by staff during the summer term. For more information and to book, please log in to the Arbor App.

Parents Evening

A reminder that Parents Evening will take place on Monday (3:30pm – 7:30pm) and Wednesday (3:30pm – 5:30pm) next week. All parents should now have an appointment, which you should be able to see via the Arbor App. Please come to school via the front entrance. During the meeting, you will receive your child's Spring Term report, which will show your child's current attainment and end of year target.

REMINDER: Future Dates for the Diary

Below are some future dates to add to your diary for key events taking place in the Summer Term in which we want to involve the school community. We wanted to give you advanced notice if you need to make any arrangements to attend. More details about the individual events will be in the newsletter nearer the time.

Event	Kings Charles' Coronation Celebration Event	Sports Morning
Date	Friday 5 th May	Wednesday 5 th July
Time	12pm onwards	9am onwards

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Event	Date	Time
Parents Evening	Monday 27 th March	3:30pm – 7:30pm
	Wednesday 29 th March	3:30pm – 5:30pm
Friends of Holne Chase Easter Egg Hunt	Thursday 30 th March	<i>Details to follow</i>
Last Day of Spring 2	Friday 31 st March	3:30pm
EASTER HOLIDAYS Monday 3 rd April – Monday 17 th April		
First Day of Summer 1	Tuesday 18 th April	8:40am
Families in Partnership Meeting	Wednesday 19 th April	6:30pm
Year 3 and 4 Hockey Tournament	Thursday 20 th April	<i>Letters to be sent to specific parents when teams are selected</i>
Bank Holiday	Monday 1 st May Monday 8 th May	All day
Y6 SATs Week	Tuesday 9 th May – Friday 12 th May	Breakfast available in school from 8:15am
Y2 SATs Week	Monday 15 th May – Friday 19 th May	Breakfast available in school from 8:15am
Year 1 Multi-skills Day	Tuesday 23 rd May	<i>Letters to be sent to specific parents when children are selected</i>
Class Photos	Friday 26 th May	All day
Last Day of Summer 1	Friday 26 th May	3pm / 3:10pm
MAY HALF TERM Monday 29 th May – Friday 2 nd June		