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Headteacher: Mrs Belinda Haigh

Dear Parents,

<u>A HUGE thank you for your amazing generosity</u> – you raised a staggering £2361.27 through sponsorships for our 'Sport Relief Bounce'. Due to the enormous sum raised, which reflects the value you have placed on this fund raising event, the Friends have suggested purchasing an additional defibrillator unit for Church, the balance of the funds going to Sport Relief. We are currently exploring this suggestion. Thank you so much for your generous support for this worthy cause.

<u>He is Risen – Hallelujah!</u> – The holiday pattern this year meant a change to our Easter celebrations in school. Last week, prayer stations were located in the school hall for each class to visit. The areas of focus being: God's family, healing, our world, peace. Children have had opportunities to prayerfully consider those themes in the context of Easter and Jesus's sacrifice on the cross for our sins. The Whole School Eucharist on Maundy Thursday brought the school family together to reinforce those thoughts and prayers. This week's activities in school reflect the joyful celebration of the risen Jesus – with egg decorating, Easter bonnet parades and the Community Cinema last night. Special thanks to our 'Beacons', children from our Y5 and Y6 Worship Counsel, who have led prayers and worship across school. Thanks also to the Friends and to school staff who arranged and organised the Cinema last night.

<u>Parents' Evening – Tuesday 5th April 3.40-7.00 p.m.; Thursday 7th April 3.40-6.30 p.m.</u> – Reminder: Please gain admission to school through the main entrance for Reception, Y1 and Y2 and the junior entrance for all junior classes. Thank you.

Dates for Diaries:

Mon 5 th April	– Ukulele Group 3.30 – 4.30 p.m.
	Netball Practice – Y5 and Y6 girls – 3.30 – 4.30 p.m.
Wed 6 th	Y5 Trip to Hothersall Lodge
	Orchestra – 3.30 – 4.30 p.m.
Friday 8 th	School closes at 3.30 p.m. for two weeks
	Absolute Sports – 3.30 – 4.30 p.m.
Monday 25 th	School re-opens

Yours sincerely, **B. Haigh Headteacher**