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Dear Parents/Carers

This terms topic is Chocolate:

What a great time we had on our Willy Wonka Day and what a great start to the new term! I know the staff are enjoying this subject immensely and I hope the children are too!!!



Walk to School



I was delighted to see so many children take part in 'Walk to School Wednesday' the next day. Just over 30% of the school attended – a very healthy balance to all the chocolate the day before!

World Book Day

On Thursday this week, **2nd March 2017** it is World Book Day. On this day we would like to invite all the children to bring an old book to go into our school book swap. They can denote their old book and chose a new one from the donations to replace it. On this day all the staff will be bringing in one of their favourite stories and the children we get the chance to listen to two stories of their choice during the day. The story telling stations will be all around school including the offices and library as well as outside. All staff members will be reading stories they love to the children. Notice for this event is rather short but does not involve dressing up and I hope you will all be able to find an old book to donate as this will be a lovely opportunity to celebrate books at Burchetts Green.

Maidenhead's Got Talent!

Don't forget Maidenhead's Got Talent! Here are the details for **Friday 3rd March** again – we look forward to entertaining as many as you as possible during the afternoon.

The children need to be at the venue by 2.00pm. They will travel with staff by coach.



The show starts at 3.30pm (this is the matinee performance) and parents and siblings are invited to join us. The show finishes at 5.45pm and you will then be able to take your child home. If you are not intending to watch the show please collect your child at 5.45pm. This is a longer day than

usual for the children but we hope that as it is a Friday afternoon it will not interrupt routines too much as it is a lovely opportunity for the children to perform to a wider audience and supports our Gold Artsmark status.

Tickets are available to purchase NOW at <http://rotary-in-maidenhead.org.uk/gottalent>. Tickets can also be purchased on the day of the event, subject to availability. The prices are:

Adult	£8
Under 16 and senior citizens	£6
Pre-school age children	Free

Parents' Evenings

Parents' evenings have been arranged for **Tuesday 14th March 3.30pm – 5.30pm** and **Thursday 16th March 5.00pm – 7.00pm**. Please return your form with your first and second choice of times/dates on it to Mrs Derrett who will be sending out confirmed appointments as soon as possible. Each appointment last for ten minutes and out of respect for those whose appointment follows yours please try and stick to your allotted time (we can of course arrange additional meetings if deemed necessary).

Wear a Hat on 31st March (Brain Tumour Research)

Each year we try to support a number of charities as well as raise money for the school. This year we have decided that one of these will be Brain Tumour Research. Brain Tumour Research are organising a 'Hatatsic Day' when participants are asked to wear a hat for a day and give a contribution to their charity for doing so.



We would like to take part in this activity and are combining this event with our Easter Hat Parade. We would like each child to design and decorate an Easter hat to wear into school on **Friday 31st March** and there will be small prizes for a variety of categories!

Website Video

Over the last few days our video has been filmed. Mr Bishop, our camera man, has visited the school to capture special moments in the school calendar as well as day to day life. He will be visiting us again soon to take a few last shots.



Gymnastics Display

On **Wednesday 22nd March** Mr Smith, our PE teacher, has arranged for the children to give a short gymnastics display to show the skills that the children have learnt this term. You are welcome to attend and see the progress your child has made over the term.

The times are:

Tawny Owls 11.15 – 11.45

Barn Owls 1.15 - 1.45

Snowy Owls 2.00 – 2.40

Phonics Wednesday 19th April 2.40pm (before pick up)

On this day Mrs McNamara will be leading a short session for the parents of Y1 children with information regarding the Phonic Screening test. We realise that not all of you will pick your child up after school so we will make sure the information goes home in a pack as well. If you have any questions that are not answered in the pack please contact the school.

Practice sheet: Real words	Practice sheet: Pseudo words
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Mother's Day Celebrations



On **Thursday 23rd March** we are holding a Pamper Morning and Nail Bar for all Mothers and other Ladies involved in the lives of our children! We will start with a short assembly at 9.10am and then the children will carry out the pamper sessions and nail bar activities in their classrooms. We do hope you will be able to attend.

Parent Workshops – Brain Builders

As promised we have arranged a Brain Builders workshop for you! The workshop will take place in the school hall on **Tuesday 25th April 2017 at 7.00pm**. We do hope that you will be able to attend. Our parent workshops have always proved very helpful as well as lots of fun and we do hope that many of you will be able to attend. Refreshments will be available and your child's class teacher will be in attendance.

Car Parking Reminders

Once again I would like to thank you all for your considerate parking over the last term especially when the weather has been bad. The 'Walk to School' Wednesday does help with congestion too which is good news.

May I please remind you not to park in the staff car park even if you arrive late and it looks empty? If you have an exceptional need then we will, of course, be happy to help where we can, please pop into the office and explain your need to Mrs Derrett who will note down your car number. In the past we have been able to accommodate mothers with new born babies, physical disabilities and people who car share with another family (meaning that they have a group of children they are responsible for).

If you have permission to park in the car park please remember to reverse park for the safety of the children – we have had a couple of ‘bumps’ in the past as children have not been seen. Thank you.

Easter Egg Hunt - 27th and 28th March

On **Monday 27th March** and **Tuesday 28th March 2017** FOBGS have organised an Easter egg hunt after school which we are delighted to host! The times will be available via FOBGS and will start in the school hall as well as using the school grounds. I’m sure the children will really enjoy this event, it will also be a good fund raiser



Kind regards

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