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Dear Parent/Carer

Amazingly Easter is fast approaching, and it will be the Easter Fair in two weeks' time. We will be talking to the children about stalls they wish to run, if you have ideas for your children, please share these with them or support them in the organisation of their stall. We will also be collecting books, toys and games to be sold on the day. Please can these be brought in on the last week of term. Children are asked to come in non-uniform and bring either cakes/biscuits or chocolate on Thursday 28<sup>th</sup> March as donations for the fair. Please can the cakes/biscuits be homemade where possible as these sell better.

Reception, Year 1 & year 2 – Cakes/biscuits  
Year 3,4,5 & 6 - Chocolate for tombola

Do go along to the Bingo this Saturday in the Village Hall, it should be a great afternoon and lots of great prizes to be won!

### **Children's School Shoes**

If your child's school shoes have laces can you please ensure that they can tie them or provide them with slip on or Velcro shoes. Teachers are spending a lot of time in class having to help children tie laces.

### **School Lunch Menu's**

Lunch staff have noticed recently that children are not always enjoying what has been ordered for them and are asking for the alternative which unfortunately isn't possible. Can you please fill in the menus with your child so that they are happy with/aware of what has been ordered.

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## Parents Evenings – Tuesday 26<sup>th</sup> March and Wednesday 27<sup>th</sup> March

Most of you have now signed-up for parents' evening, if you haven't the sheets will continue to be out after school or can call/pop into the office. It is really important all parents attend these meetings to help us work in partnership with you and so you can support your child in the best way possible.

### PTFA Updates

#### **Family Easter Bingo - TOMORROW!**

Please come along to our Family Easter Bingo tomorrow, Saturday 16th March 2024 from 2.00pm at Long Sutton Village Hall. Everyone is welcome & we have some fantastic prizes up for grabs! Please see poster attached to this email.

#### **Swimming Pool Volunteers**

Thank you to those of you who attended the information evening last night, and those of you who contacted us about volunteering. We are very grateful for your support and feel confident that we can plan for another successful swimming pool season. If anyone else would like to volunteer, it's not too late! Please speak to the school office or email [lsprimaryptfa@gmail.com](mailto:lsprimaryptfa@gmail.com).

#### **PTFA DATES FOR YOUR DIARY**

Tuesday 26th March - Second-Hand Uniform Sale

Wednesday 27th March - Second-Hand Uniform Sale

Friday 29th March - Friday 12th April - Easter Photo Scavenger Hunt 2024

#### **Parent Information Sessions**

Child Exploitation by County Lines with Escapeline :Monday 20th May at 6pm

#### **Attendance – Unauthorised Term-Time Leave**

Please be aware that when a parent or carer chooses to take their child out of school for a period of leave, which has not been authorised by the Head Teacher it may result in a Penalty Notice being issued. Term-time leave of absence is not an automatic right and will only be granted in exceptional circumstances. You can find the school's attendance policy and letter of intention to take term-time leave request form on the school website.

#### **Is my child too ill for school?**

It is usually appropriate for parents and carers to send their children to school with mild respiratory illnesses. This would include general cold symptoms: a minor cough, runny nose or sore throat. However, children should not be sent to school if they have a temperature of 38°C or above. Further guidance can be found here - [NHS 'Is my child too ill for school?' guidance](#)

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## **Nut free school (inc. Toy Box)**

We have multiple children in school at present with a nut allergy. Please do not give your child food/snacks to bring into school containing any type of nut or nut product, e.g. Nutella and Peanut Butter. Thank you for your support.

## **Dates for the diary**

Parents Evening	Tuesday 26 <sup>th</sup> March
Parents Evening	Wednesday 27 <sup>th</sup> March
Easter Service at Holy Trinity Church	Wednesday 27 <sup>th</sup> March at 2.30pm
Easter Fair and Mufti Day	Thursday 28 <sup>th</sup> March
Good Friday	Friday 29 <sup>th</sup> March
Start of Summer Term	Monday 15 <sup>th</sup> April
Summer Fair (New Date)	Saturday 13 <sup>th</sup> July

## **Safeguarding (Protecting children from harm/keeping them safe)**

In school we have a duty to ensure that all children are safe and protect from harm or abuse. If we have concerns about a child's wellbeing it is our duty to look into this, talk to the family, and if need be, report it to Somerset Direct.

**If you have any concerns about your child, or another, please come and speak to me. Safeguarding is everyone's business and cannot be ignored. Somerset Direct (0300 123 2224) or the NSPCC are useful points of contact, should you wish to share or discuss any Safeguarding concerns you have.**

**Here are some useful websites recommended by our DSL (Designated Safeguarding Lead – Lizzie Reynolds).**

[NSPCC](#)    [SOMERSETDIRECT](#)

Best wishes  
Mrs Lizzie Reynolds

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