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Dear Parents / Carers

It gives me great pleasure to write to you as the new Headteacher of The Hendreds Primary School and to welcome you to what I'm sure will be a very busy and exciting year ahead. I will continue to build upon the successes we have enjoyed over recent years during Liz's amazing tenure.

I am fully aware of the level of responsibility entrusted to me by the school's governors, the responsibility to lead this very special school and to lead a highly committed staff to embed the school's ethos and promote its Christian values in every area of the school day.

Many of you will already know that I endeavour to make myself as accessible as possible to all parents and carers who may want to discuss something of concern. This approach will not change. It is always helpful to be informed of anything that could affect a child's day.

I'm looking forward to working with the whole school community over the coming years.

Young Voices 2019, 29 January 2019: All of Key Stage 2 will set off for the O2 after we have completed our first lessons.

We get to the O2, London in time to eat a packed lunch, get seated and start rehearsals. What children need on the day:

- School uniform, but as the event is filmed, we are asked to wear white tops, so the children to come into school in their white PE tops;
- A packed lunch and tea, in a small back pack or carrier as it will be stored, with their coat, under their seat. No cans or glass bottles please. Please pack food that your child can easily manage.

We shall return to East Hendred approximately 11pm. We will communicate our arrival time by our google mail group and on our website. When picking up your children please be considerate to the neighbours by the church.

In order to pay for the transport, we would appreciate the voluntary contribution of £15. This is available to pay online via Tucasi, we will require your consent too.

Ford Castle (Years 4 and 5) Our second instalment is due soon. Please can you take the time to sign onto Tucasi to give your permission for your child to join us.

Lunches For KS2 the cost of lunches for the term to the February break is £63.80. (£2.20 per day). Please make payment using the Tucasi payment system, all or in part.

Breakfast and After School Club Invoices for sessions up to 31 December 2018 are in the book bags today. If you have any queries, please contact the office. You can make payments and see sessions attended on the Tucasi system.

Children in Need Thank you so much for your generosity. I can confirm we have raised £1558!

Yours sincerely

Chris Savage

Dates for Spring Term 2019

January 29	KS2 choir to London (O2)
February 11 and 12	KS1 Parent Teacher Interviews (1540 to 1800)
February 13 and 14	KS2 Parent Teacher Interviews (15.40 to 1800)
February 15	FoTH Valentine's Cake Sale Sports Tournament, children to come in PE kits please Last day before half term break, finishing at 3.30pm. There will be after school club.
February 25	First day back
March 4	Nick Cope (thanks to FoTH) Music Day
March 11	National Child Measurement Programme for Reception and Year 6, details to follow
March 14	KS2 Theatre trip to Chariots of Fire, details to follow.
March 26/27	The Life Bus (Personal and Social Education)
April 5	Last day before Easter. School finishes at 12 noon, no After School Club



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Ms Tansley's Retirement

For obvious reasons, we couldn't let you know how we spent all the wonderful donations we received to mark Ms T's retirement before she left, and we thought you might like to know how we used the money.

- Flowers and fizz!! (essential)
- A very special voucher for Le Manoir aux Quat'Saisons for dinner for two (a long held wish)
- Cash for a taxi to and from Le Manoir (to complete the occasion)
- A voucher for John Lewis (a favourite shop)
- A text beautifully designed and framed by Tessa Case
- A fabulous book, organised by Daisy at The Eyston Arms, signed by parents and children, past and present. We also included in the book the personal messages that accompanied donations made through Tucasi

We received many suggestions from parents that Ms Tansley might like a permanent installation in the school grounds. We agreed that this would be very appropriate to honour her time at The Hendreds, and a proportion of the money donated has been set aside for this. When told of this plan, Ms T was delighted, even making some suggestions for what she would like to see. So we are looking forward to discussing plans with her in the very near future, and hoping she will return to school to 'unveil' whatever it is, perhaps combining it with an event after school involving suitable refreshments!

Yours sincerely

The School Team