Dear Parents/Carers

I hope you all had a lovely Easter!  It has been a week of beautiful sunshine to set us on our way for the last term of this academic year.  There are lots of things to look forward to at school this term with many opportunities for our Fishermoss Family to come together including our Spring Fayre, Parent/Teacher Consultations, Fishermoss has Talent, Community Clean Up, Sports Day, Fishermoss Family Picnic, Induction events and many Class Assemblies in the mix too!

As previously shared, we are delighted that after 3 years of COVID restrictions our **Spring Fayre** is back, and plans are under way! The date is set for **Saturday 20th May 11am-2pm**. This is a significant date in our fundraising calendar so we do hope you can make it along!  We are of course looking for volunteers to help so if you can spare some time, we would be most grateful, either on the day or with setting up the afternoon before.  No previous experience required.  If you would like to volunteer to help the please email direct to FishermossPSC@outlook.com   and a member of the PSC will get back in touch with you.  If we all take a wee turn then we can spread the load!  You do not need to be a member of our PSC to help out and no PVG is required as you will not be supervising children.  If you would like to be involved in some of the planning for the Fayre, our **next Parent Staff Council meeting is Wednesday 26th April 6pm in our staffroom.** Please note the earlier time!

**Royal Outfit Day- A Day fit for Royalty at Fishermoss-Friday 5th May!**

**Fishermoss PSC** would like the children to celebrate the King’s Coronation whilst helping plan the Spring Fayre with a non-uniform day with a colourful royal theme.

To take part the children may come to school with homemade crowns or royal outfits in return for a very small donation.  Pupils are invited to donate something with the corresponding colour which will help with the rainbow hampers for the Fayre:

Nursery - everything rainbow (any colour)

P1 - RED

P2 - ORANGE

P3 - YELLOW

P4 - GREEN

P5 - AQUA / TURQUOISE

P6 - BLUE

P7 - PURPLE

The donation can be anything as long as it’s non-perishable e.g.  sweets, biscuits, soaps, a small toy, art supplies, a cuddly toy, crisps or books. Literally anything child friendly!  Please do not go buying an outfit or crown, use your imagination and if you can’t think of anything,  pupils could wear something the colour their class has been allocated.

**Fishermoss School Coronation Big Lunch……**The Big Lunch brings us all together as a school to share friendship, food and fun. This year we will be part of history and join millions across the UK, and further afield, with a **Coronation Big Lunch**. This will take place on **Friday 5th May** as part of Royal Outfit Day and all pupils and staff across the school will be together for lunch, ‘street party’ style!  Tiaras and bunting are ready and waiting!  There will be no hot meals served at school this day as it will be packed lunches to go!  Further details regarding ordering packed lunches from our school kitchen will be issued next week!

**Finally…. speaking of lunches and dressing up……**

We are finding some pupils, especially younger ones, not eating at lunchtime because they don’t like anything on the menu.  This results in a significant waste of food and hungry tummies.  It would be helpful if there were discussions at home, the night before, about school lunch menu choices and if a packed lunch from home is the better option on certain days.

At Fishermoss we very much encourage pupils to wear school uniform, but we are finding that many days are becoming dress as you please days for some pupils.  Uniform helps to instil a sense of pride and team spirit within our school.  It also means less competition and pressure among pupils about who has the more expensive labelled clothing or who is more fashionable.  School uniform is cheaper than other outfits and generally saves time in the morning deciding what to wear.  It also takes pressure off parents in terms of arguments in the morning. Thank you for all you do to encourage your child to wear school uniform and do let us know if we can help in any way.  Please do not hesitate to get in touch if it is for financial reasons that your child does not wear school uniform as we can access pre-loved, nearly new items for you.

Wishing you all a lovely weekend!

Kindest regards

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