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Dear Parents, Pupils, Staff, Governors and Friends of the school,

A chilly week out there, but we have been nice and warm inside working away as ever! Soon we will be launching our house points system. We have 3 houses; Elm, Oak and Pine and we have arranged it so that siblings are in the same house. This will hopefully grow into a fun way to have children motivating each other across the age groups. Children will mostly be receiving house point tokens for demonstrating our three behaviour words; ready, responsible and respectful. The draft behaviour policy giving more detail on this is available on the website now. Hinksey, our mascot is part of this and thanks to Carol and Ava, his mural on the hall wall is starting to take shape! Have a lovely, warm weekend!
Tamsin

Attendance	It may be time to start thinking about booking your holidays. Please remember, that children are not allowed to be taken out of school for holidays, so please book them for outside of term times. Our attendance policy is on our website for more information.
Road Safety	If your child is scooting to school, please do not let them get too far away from you. Children should not be scooting up and down the road as there are often many vehicles moving around (TH).
Behaviour Policy	Our draft behaviour policy is available to view on the website. Any questions or comments are welcome.

<p>Puffins</p> 	<p>This week Year 1 have been working with 100 bead strings to look at groups of 10's and 1's, we have also been working on number formation being the correct way round and had a fun team game to encourage this which they really enjoyed. We talked about our first explorer of the term Christopher Columbus in history and we made plans of the classroom in geography with Reception and Year 1 working wonderfully together. Year 1 have been listening and reading sentences that do and don't make sense depending on the punctuation and word order and drew a great pigeon from our 'Don't Let the Pigeon Stay up Late' story. Reception have been learning all about which foods are good for our teeth and we talked again about how important it is for them to brush their teeth for 2 minutes twice a day. It was lovely to hear that so many of them have already visited the dentist because this is so important at this age. Hopefully you will have all seen the two leaflets in their book bags this week about keeping teeth healthy. Please remember to only send water in your child's bottle to school not juice. There is so much more that the Puffins have been doing, they have had a brilliantly busy week. Look out for the exciting map homework for all the Puffins in their book bags!</p>
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Living life in all its fullness.

<p>Owls</p> 	<p>This week we have learnt about the features of diary writing. We used these to write a diary from the point of view of Max from Where the Wild Things Are. We have begun to draw and label our own islands. In both RHSC and ICT we have focussed on the rules for using the internet safely. We recorder our own videos about the four rules to follow. We are excited about our trip to see the musical play of 'Luna Loves Library' at the Story Museum and are very grateful to our New Hinksey PTA for funding this. In maths we have worked hard to see the relationship between addition and multiplication, learnt our 3x tables and used our number bonds to work out tricky sums with larger numbers. We are having a big focus on reading. Your child is bringing their reading diary home, and it would be great if they could read for at least 10 minutes with an adult or independently after school daily. Please could you then write a comment or initial their diary. Many thanks for your support with this.</p>										
<p>Doves</p> 	<p>The second week back of this shorter five week half term has been jam-packed! In English we've been using powerful adjectives, in maths we've been getting to grips with protractors and angles, and in PHSE we talked about kind words and unkind words. In French we learnt the months of the year and practised some songs for our sharing assembly (which is in two weeks.) We've just got more adult tickets for our orchestra trip on Friday next week - it would be great to have even more of you there! Let me know if you can join us.</p> <p><u>Important notice:</u> Instead of having to bring in reading records, Doves class children now get the sheet in the back of their homework books signed by an adult every week (once they have finished their 5 weekly reads). There's more information about this on said sheet. Please sign it once they've read aloud to you for 10 minutes.</p>										
<p>Kingfishers</p> 	<p>This week in English we have been working on ways to make our writing as descriptive as possible and we have been note-taking about how horrible it must have been in a Victorian workhouse (Street Child). In drama, we have acted scenes from Oliver Twist. For maths, some year 6 children have been puzzling over how to use brackets in sums whilst year 5 have been calculating the change they would get when they spend a certain amount of money! May we remind you to return your child's permission slip for the exciting trip to Sheldonian Theatre next Friday to see An Ocean Odyssey.</p>										
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After School and Morning Club bills

These are due to be paid by today. Please pay as soon as possible if you have not already done so.