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Dear Parents/Carers

Parents' Day Thank you to all the parents who attended parents' day today. It was wonderful to share your children's achievements with you. I hope that you will agree that the children are working very hard at the moment. We will be catching up with anyone who was unable to attend over the next few days to make alternative appointments.

We are very sorry that we had to cancel the appointments for Very Hungry Caterpillar class at such short notice – Mrs Williams will be in touch with parents next week to rearrange. Thank you for your understanding.

Reminder – Red Nose Day is next Friday 21st March. As already explained, we are joining in with their 40th anniversary theme of "Bluey joins the party". Children are invited to wear party clothes, and we will have some party games and dancing in the afternoon. We are pleased to accept any donations and would suggest a minimum donation of £1.00 on the day. We have also set up just giving page for anyone wishing to make any further donations, please follow the link <https://www.justgiving.com/fundraising/rnd25-hamp-nursery-and-infants-school>. Thank you for your support.

Reading Records – Reading daily is essential for improving vocabulary, comprehension, and fluency, while also fostering a lifelong love for books and learning. We encourage all children to read both at school and at home. Starting Monday, each child will bring home their own reading record for you to track their reading progress. In school, we will use the reading record to document the books they've read and make observations about their reading skills, such as fluency, comprehension, and expression. We kindly ask that parents and carers also add comments on how their child engaged with the book at home, providing a more complete picture of their child's reading development. Reading records must be brought to school daily, along with your child's individual reading book.

Reader of the Week - The "Reader of the Week" initiative is a wonderful way to promote reading for pleasure and celebrate children's love for books. Each week, one child from every class will be chosen as the "Reader of the Week" based on their enthusiasm and dedication to reading. This recognition will be celebrated during the Rainbow Assembly, where the child will be proudly acknowledged in front of their peers. As a reward, the "Reader of the Week" will receive a special sticker and a small treat to further encourage their reading journey. We hope that this initiative will not only motivate children to read regularly but also help to create a positive reading culture within the school, inspiring all children to discover the joy of reading.

Illnesses – We understand that there has been an outbreak in cases of norovirus at Hamp Academy. Thankfully this has not been the case for us and we have only had a very small number of children off with sickness and diarrhoea this half term, which is what we would normally expect to see. We want to reassure you that we are taking the necessary steps to help prevent an outbreak at the school. To support with this, if your child does have sickness and/or diarrhoea, please ensure that they are clear of symptoms for 48 hours before returning to school or nursery. Thank you.

Headlice - Can I please ask everyone to check their children's hair this weekend as we have seen an increase in the number of parents reporting that their children have headlice this week.

Morning drop off – It has been brought to our attention that between 8:20am and 8:30am at morning drop off, children are running around which is leading to rough play and resulting in the children being unsettled at the start of the day. To help all children transition smoothly into school, we kindly ask that you please keep your children standing with you during this time.

As always, please let us know if you have any questions or need any further support.

Yours sincerely

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