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Dear Parents and Carers

The time has come around again for our annual **Parent Survey** – a questionnaire was sent home with the eldest child of each family on Monday. **It is so important to hear your views!** We use the results to celebrate what we are doing well and to identify areas where we could be even better – I will give full feedback at a future Parent Forum meeting and in the newsletter. PLEASE take 5 minutes to fill this in and return to school by **Friday, 14th March**. Pupils in KS2 will also complete a survey in school, so we should get a good idea of how we are doing!

Robert Staples
Headteacher

WORLD BOOK DAY

On Thursday we celebrated 'World Book Day' by having an assembly to share all the extreme reading photographs that have been sent in.

The winners of the 'Extreme Reading' competition were: Nursery - Bethanie Williams, Reception - Amelia Zajackowska, Year 1 - Caelan Harvey-Manning, Year 2 - Freddie O'Dell, Year 3 - Connor Harper, Year 4 - Leila Byatt, Year 5 - Chloe Rogers, Year 6 - Tom Jeffries and the Staff winner was Mr Dickinson

Thank you for all your support in making 'World Book Day' such a success, in promoting the love of reading in such unusual places!

PARENT CONSULTATIONS

Appointments have now been sent home for next week's Parent Consultations. If you haven't yet been given an appointment, please phone the school office to check your time or make one.

Just a reminder that, if you need to bring your child with you, there will be a creche available in the Nursery classroom where they can wait whilst you have your appointment. Children in Years 5 and 6 are welcome to attend the appointment with their parent(s).

CLASS PHOTOGRAPHS

The children will be having their class photographs taken next Thursday, so please ensure they look extra smart for the occasion.

SECONDARY SCHOOL ALLOCATIONS

Year 6 received their Secondary School offers this week. Don't forget to click on the link in your offer email to accept/decline your offer by **17th March 2014**.

ATTENDANCE AWARD

	w/c 27/1	w/c 3/2	w/c 10/2	w/c 24/2
ASH	90.7	91	90.7	97.5
BEECH	94.3	93.6	92.2	93.5
BIRCH	80	95.4	94.8	93.1
CEDAR	90.7	97.3	92	99.1
CHERRY	94.8	97.2	98.3	97.9
CHESTNUT	91.4	98.2	97.1	97.4
ELDER	94	97	98.7	100
ELM	98	96.7	96	89.6
HAZEL	95.6	91.1	95.9	99.1
HORNBEAM	92.8	98.6	96.2	94
LARCH	96.8	93.6	93.3	99
LIME	94.4	94.8	99.2	94
PINE	98.1	91.1	97.7	95.2
POPLAR	99.3	96.7	93.5	99
WALNUT	96.9	85	90.6	92.2
WHITEBEAM	91.9	90.6	92.5	98.4
WILLOW	98.8	96.5	90	100

Well done to Elder and Willow classes, who both achieved 100% attendance the first week back after half term.

SAINSBURY'S ACTIVE KIDS

Sainsbury's have now launched this year's Active Kids voucher scheme. Vouchers can be collected from all Sainsbury's stores, petrol stations and with online grocery deliveries up to Tuesday 20th May. Please ask all your family and friends to help us by collecting as many vouchers as possible and sending them into school.

**IS YOUR CHILD STARTING
NURSERY SCHOOL IN 2014/15?**

If your child was born between **1st September 2010 and 31st August 2011** you can now apply for a nursery place for the school year 2013-14.

The quickest and easiest way to apply is on-line at www.hertsdirect/admissions - **application deadline 21st March 2014**. Parents who do not have the facility to apply on-line are welcome to come into the office and use a computer. If you would like help with your application, please contact the office first to arrange a convenient time.

HELP US WITH HEADLICE

Headlice in school is an on-going problem but, if everyone takes note of the preventative measures, then the problem should be dramatically reduced. The local Health Authority recommends the following preventative method and suggests that parents should take the responsibility of checking their child's hair regularly.

The wet-combing method is the recommended preventative method and head lice may be cleared over a two-week period:

- Wash the hair in the normal way with an ordinary shampoo.
- Using lots of hair conditioner and while the hair is very wet, comb through the hair from the roots with a fine tooth comb. Make sure the teeth of the comb slot into the hair at the roots with every stroke, and do this over a pale surface, such as a paper towel or the bath.
- Clear the comb of lice between each stroke.
- Wet lice find it difficult to escape, and hair, which is slippery from conditioner, makes it hard for them to keep a grip – so removal with the comb is easier.
- If you find any lice, then repeat this routine every 3-4 days for 2 weeks, so that any lice emerging from the eggs are removed before they can spread.

IF YOUR CHILD HAS LONG HAIR, PLEASE ENSURE IT IS TIED BACK FOR SCHOOL.

CONGRATULATIONS

Very well done to Chenille Bullock (Whitebeam) and Janay Bullock (Hazel) who both took part in the Chesham Dance Festival in the February half term.

They were both awarded a MERIT for their Character Ballet Duets. Janay was also awarded a MERIT for her Classical Ballet Duo. Both girls were also awarded GOLD! DISTINCTION!, Janay for her Modern Solo and her Character Ballet Trio and Chenille & Janay for their Lyrical ballet, which they danced in a group of 9.

Good luck to both girls for the Luton Dance Festival commencing 15th March.

Please let us know if your child has an achievement they would like to share with us, and we will publish it in the next newsletter.

DATES FOR ACADEMIC YEAR 2013/14 (New dates shown in bold)	
Tuesday 11th March 8.30am – 3.20pm	Nursery Parent/Teacher Consultations for January starters
Tuesday 11 th March 5.30 – 8.00pm	Parent / Teacher Consultations
Weds 12 th March 3.30 – 6.00pm	Parent / Teacher Consultations
Thursday 13 th March	Class Photographs
Thurs 13 th March 2.45pm - Upper Hall	Year 1 Parents' Class Assembly
Thurs 20th March	Year 2 Wow Day
Thurs 20 th March 2.30pm –Upper Hall	Reception Parents' Class Assembly
Weds 2 nd April 1.00 – 3.00pm	Autism Support Group
Friday 4 th April	End of Spring Term : 2.15pm finish
Tuesday 22 nd April	Start of Summer Term