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Dear Parents

It is lovely to see the sun shining this morning, at long last. I hope that this is a positive sign of things to come for the coming long weekend.

### **Visitors to School**

This week I welcomed visitors to school and also attended an ISA London Music Event. Dr Zoe Dunn from UCS came to Broadhurst on Wednesday. She was very impressed with the school and commented that she wished she had brought her own son here, which was lovely to hear. This year we had a strong number of offers from U.C.S. and I look forward to continuing to forge strong relationships with the school.

Lynn Mags-Welling, our regional representative from ISA visited on Monday. Her visit complimented the opportunity I also had this week to meet with the Chair and Vice Chair of the Association. It is really beneficial to build links with the society as they offer excellent opportunities for networking and training opportunities for staff. The association also offers enrichment opportunities for pupils and I am keeping a close eye on any future events that we may be able to get involved in.

### **Curriculum News from Miss Belzer - Personal, Social and Emotional Development**

Personal, Social and Emotional Development (PSED) involves helping children develop a positive sense of themselves and others in order to form positive relationships. Children develop respect for others, social skills and learn how to manage their feelings. They also begin to understand appropriate behaviour in groups and learn to have confidence in their own abilities.

This area of the Early Years curriculum develops children's positive sense of themselves. It teaches about having respect for oneself and others, developing social skills and a good attitude to learning.

#### **PSED is made up of these aspects:**

- Self-Confidence and Self-Awareness
- Managing Feelings and Behaviour
- Making Relationships

To give children the best opportunities through 'Positive Relationships', adults form caring relationships with all children. In 'Enabling Environments' opportunities for play and learning are created to help children embrace differences between themselves and others. 'Learning and Development' experiences are planned to promote all round development.

## Parent Reps Meeting

We held our meeting on Thursday this week and plans for the summer party are gathering pace. We have a good number of volunteers already signed up for the various aspects of the organisation of the event and your reps will be in touch with you very soon with more details. Please do put the date of 30<sup>th</sup> June in your diaries as we are really hoping for a strong turnout. A formal invitation will follow shortly.

## Celebration Whole School Picnic and Sports Event

As a further event to mark the 60<sup>th</sup> birthday of the school, we are also organising a family picnic and sports day at Paddington Recreation Ground. This will take place on Tuesday 3<sup>rd</sup> July from 12.30pm until 2.00pm. We will share further details nearer the time but, it would be fantastic if as many parents and other family members as possible can attend, hence giving plenty of notice.

## Stop and Drop

Please see below the rota for 'stop and drop' next week. If you are unable to do the slot you have been assigned, we would appreciate it if you could endeavour to swap with another parent.

08/05/2018	Alexander	Waidhofer
08/05/2018	Alfie	Mercey
08/05/2018	Amara	Agrawal-Kulkarni
08/05/2018	Anaya	Shah
09/05/2018	Anika	Ruparelia
09/05/2018	Arhaan	Sharwani
09/05/2018	Ari	Jamal
09/05/2018	Aristotle & Stamos	Fafalios
10/05/2018	Arjun	Kapoor
10/05/2018	Arya & Riyan	Ahuja
10/05/2018	Beatrice	Isaac
10/05/2018	Benjamin	Hiseman
11/05/2018	Cara	Stern
11/05/2018	Charles	Sonic
11/05/2018	Charlotte	Jaffa
11/05/2018	Chloe	Tamura Remiao

## Class News

Class 2 have been growing cress from seed and I can officially say that the children have green fingers. We have been observing the changes and talking about the life cycle of a plant. This week the children cut the cress with a pair of scissors, in preparation for making cucumber and cress sandwiches. They really enjoyed this as part of their snack and we all agreed that it is a healthy option. In addition, we have been discussing the life cycle of a frog, which the children have been very interested in, so your child might request that you visit a pond to look for tadpoles and frogspawn.





I wish you all a lovely long weekend. I look forward to seeing everyone on Tuesday.

With best wishes

**Mrs Sylvester**  
Headmistress

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