Towers Times

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Dear Families,

The weather has been absolutely superb this week and the children have enjoyed being outside during the school day. We look forward to using the school field again after Easter for break and lunchtimes. All of our children are now enjoying lunches in the halls once more, and it is lovely to hear the buzz of excitement from the children; again they have really embodied those BUILD core values!

Well done to classes 3H and 3P who had their first ever class assembly in the Junior School this week; there was barely a dry eye in the house! The children really shone brightly and impressed us all with their presentation skills – not to mention the singing and dancing too!

It was wonderful to meet- in person- the new Parents Association Committee members, Ian Meadows and Daniella Patras this week. It was a great opportunity to discuss events over the Summer Term. We are pleased to announce that the Summer Fete will be held on Saturday 2nd July, please save the date! It's a really fun and exciting time to play an active part within FoTFA as they recommence the planning of larger in-person events again; such as Children's Discos, Summer Fairs, Quiz Nights or Race Nights. Please get in touch with the FoTFA if you are interested or would like to know more about what's involved in helping with events. Take a look at the summer fete poster sent by the school earlier today.

Our Nursery children welcomed 'Someone Special' into the hall this week, to share an afternoon tea and make a decorative piece of art as a keepsake. It has been wonderful to start welcoming parents back into the school and offering opportunities to come inside and see the magic! Our Reception families were also welcomed into the school this week for a Reading Workshop to find out ways to support their children in reading, and how the school teaches children to read each day. We thank you for attending. Please feel free to speak to staff if you have any questions, we are here to help!

We would like to thank parents who offered some suggestions for uniform; we had some great ideas, ranging from Towers leggings and body warmers for PE, to book bags with bottle compartments and PE tops being changed to Towers blue. If you have any further suggestions, please feel free to contact the school office.

It is Year 3's turn to enjoy their Greek Workshop today and as we write this newsletter we can hear the cries of excitement from Olympus in the hall! Year 1 had a fantastic time at Barleylands on Thursday, staff shared how their behaviour was outstanding and how the adults at Barleylands commented on their perfect manners – Well done Year 1!

Unfortunately this week we very much feet the continued impact COVID-19 as we saw an upswing in positive cases of COVID, with a number of staff off work this week. We wish them all a speedy recovery. We would like to extend out thanks to staff from across the two schools who are working so hard to cover for colleaguees. You are all stars!

Have a wonderful weekend,
Ms L J Blurton and Mrs C D Hurley
Head Teachers of Towers Infant and Junior schools

Last Day of Term

Please remember the school day finishes at 1:30pm on Friday 1st April for the Easter Holidays. We look forward to seeing Easter Bonnets paraded around the playground on this day too!

Reporting Absence

If your child is poorly and unable to attend school, please remember to contact the school office before the start of the day and not the Year group email. Attendance needs to be reported to the office at all times. Thank you!

48 Hour Rule for Vomiting and / or Diarrhoea

We would like to remind all parents/carers that if your child has been unwell with vomiting and/or diarrhoea, they must be clear for at least 48 hours before returning to school.

Red Nose Day

We raised a wonderful £331.92 from our collection for Comic Relief last week – our thanks to all!

Uniform Update

A reminder that children should wear black school shoes or school trainers without any coloured logos. With the warmer weather, we welcome back summer dresses and grey school shorts. Please be reminded that blue gingham playsuits are not to be worn.

Whole school attendance target for the year: 96.2% This week: Infant school,92% Junior school, 94%

Infant school						
Reception	Owl	95.8%	Robin	94%	Puffin	92%
Year 1	Flamingo	98%	Starling	98%	Wagtails	92%
Year 2	Kingfisher	85%	Toucans	86%	Goldfinch	92%

Junior school						
Year 3	3H	94%	3D	93%	3P	95%
Year 4	4T	97%	4C	93%	4P	96%
Year 5	5L	97%	5M	90%	5R	86%
Year 6	6P	98%	6G	97%	6R	96%