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Dear parent/carer

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Science Week

What an amazing week it has been! Our Science Week began on Monday with 11 wonderful volunteers who are all employed in a science field. They talked to our Junior children about their career choice and how the learning they undertook at primary school led them down that path. Our children really enjoyed the experience with many stating that they had no idea of the variety of jobs there are connected to science, alongside a large number expressing a desire to work in a scientific field. On Tuesday all of our Infant children visited Magna Science Park and had a really super day. Our Space Teddy was due to be launched into space on Wednesday, but unfortunately Storm Gareth has delayed the launch. Our Deer Park Space Adventure will take place at some point later in the term and we will keep you posted. I am reliably informed by the launch team that next week is a real possibility. On Thursday all of our Junior children travelled to the Big Bang Science Fair at The NEC in Birmingham. The children experienced over 100 exhibits, workshops and science shows in what a number of the children declared as the best school day ever! Today we held our own Science Fair with experiments created by our Junior children with all of the Infant children involved through working with each of the Junior classes across the day.

Easter Events

With the Easter break just 4 weeks away, I would like to invite our Infant children and parents to create an Easter Bonnet or hat for our annual parade on the Infant Playground at 9:00am on Friday 12th April. Our School Council have asked that our Junior children design and decorate a t-shirt with an Easter theme and bring that in on the same day. Entries for both competitions are just £1 with all the proceeds going to our PTA. We will also have our traditional Treasure Hunt for the Infants and Juniors with the Treasure Maps going around the classes week commencing 8th April at 50p a go.

25 Years Service Award

Mrs Jessup has completed 25 years service for Derbyshire County Council, with all of that service at Deer Park Primary School. She is a truly wonderful teaching assistant and I am delighted to report that on Monday in a special assembly attended by the Mayor and Mayoress, she will be presented with a certificate and award for the dedication she has demonstrated over the years to all of the children here at Deer Park. I am sure you will all join me in congratulating Mrs Jessup.

Sports News

Last Friday, a team of our Year 1 and Year 2 children took part in a Gymnastics Event at Graves Sports Centre and given the opportunities offered to the children at the event including using the trampolines, parallel bars and beams, I fully agree with the children that it really was a fantastic experience. Thank you to all of the parents that helped with transport. Next week we have a team of our Year 6 girls representing the school at a girls football tournament taking place at Derby County FC. Our football and netball fixtures have commenced again and I am delighted to report that our Netball team won their first game against Hunloke last Monday.

Hollowford Parents Information Evening Tuesday 26th March 6:00pm

With our Year 5 Residential Trip to Hollowford now only a matter of weeks away, we have arranged for Parents Information Evening on Tuesday 26th March at 6:00pm.

And finally...

Can I express a very sincere thanks to everyone that supported a group of our Year 6 girls who completed a project raising over £150 for Cancer Research through running a 'Match The Staff' game and making and selling over 100 bracelets and key rings. The winners of the game were Madeleine and Harry W. Finally, can I also take this opportunity to thank everyone that purchased and wore their Red Nose today and for dressing up last week for our World Book Day

Take care

S.K.Beardall
Headteacher

