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Dear parent/carer

## Welcome back

I trust that you managed to dodge the rain and snow over the Easter break and enjoyed some time as a family. We have a number of activities taking place in what will be a very busy term some of which I have detailed below. This week alone we have had a visit from the Fire Service to our children in Year 2 and Year 6 looking at fire safety. Our children in Year 1 began a 10 week singing programme delivered by Derbyshire Music Partnership and our Year 5 children enjoyed a Tri-Golf session on Wednesday and commenced their 5/60 Sports and Health programme. This programme, backed by The Health Authority, looks at the importance of sport and fitness and diet, specifically the campaign to eat 5 fruit and vegetables a day.

## Easter Week

The week prior to the Easter break was equally very busy. We had a team of our Infant children travel to Derby County to take part in a football tournament. The children were a credit to the school and finished as joint runners-up. On the same day, I took three of our Year 6 children to Stocksbridge to represent Derbyshire in the South Yorkshire Triangle Spelling Bee. The children all made it to the final 6 of the competition with James S finishing as the overall runner-up which is the best result we have ever achieved. Throughout that week we had children from our Year 4 and Year 5 classes complete their Bikeability training and I am delighted to report that 40 of our children met the required standard and are proudly wearing their badges. On Friday we announced the winners of the Easter competition judged by the School Council. A list of the winners is displayed in the office. Can I take this opportunity to thank all of the parents that helped our children with their entries and to those that stayed to support the Easter Bonnet Parade. The creations were fantastic.

## Sport and Health Week 21<sup>st</sup> – 25<sup>th</sup> May

Following the success of our first Sports Week last year we have another week planned for the end of this term. On the Monday all of our children will work with Mark Waters a 7 foot 6 inch Harlem Globetrotter, learning all about basketball. **Tuesday 22<sup>nd</sup> May is our Sports Day** and I am keeping my fingers crossed for weather like last year. On Wednesday all of our children will have a go at archery and on Thursday we will have a go at healthy cooking with George from Discovery Kitchens. On Friday, we will be having a sponsored fun run on the park adjacent to the school with all of the money raised going to fund the fruit scheme for our Junior children. More details about this event in particular will follow next week.

## APP Update

We currently have 996 subscribers to our APP. It is a very useful source of information and one I use to relay messages to the school community due to its speed and accessibility. **If you have a new phone or are currently not one of subscribers, please follow the advice below.**

You can download it onto your phone using the link below.

Link For Itunes - <https://itunes.apple.com/us/app/dpps/id1160832680?l=pl&ls=1&mt=8>

Link For Google Play - <https://play.google.com/store/apps/details?id=com.appscentral.deerparkprimary>

Alternatively, just search for Deer Park Primary School in either Google Play or itunes.

The username is **Deer Park Primary School**

The Password or Pin Code is **2016**

## And finally...

In addition to our Sports Week, I can now confirm that we have organised a number of sporting competitions with our local partner schools for the Summer term including cricket, football, tennis and a very exciting multi-sports event at the EIS in Sheffield. More details of all of these events will follow.

Take care

S.K. Beardall  
Headteacher



