Dear Parents and Carers

The weather is getting cooler and wetter, so children should now be bringing a coat to school. Please make sure coats are named and that they have a tag or loop on them to hang them up.

**CAKE SALE—FRIDAY 15 OCTOBER**

The school council will be holding a cake sale on Friday 15th October. All proceeds from the cake sale will go towards buying a new lining for the swimming pool.

The cake sale will take place outside year 2 from 3:05-3:40pm.

Could parents/carers of children in years 1-6 (foundation stage are having a separate cake sale on 21st October) please send in home made or shop bought cakes to sell at the event.

Children should bring cakes into their own classrooms on either Thursday 14th or Friday 15th October.

**IMPORTANT**: Due to allergies, please do not bring cakes containing nuts.

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**Morrisons “Let’s Grow” vouchers**

This year we are again collecting Morrisons “Let's Grow” vouchers. If you or any of your friends & family have any of these vouchers, please bring them in to school and put them in the box near the office. We will exchange these vouchers for gardening equipment for the children to experience planting, growing & hunting for minibeasts! Last year we were very successful, let’s see if we can do even better this year.

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**School Uniform**

A number of year 6 children have been coming to school wearing black cardigans and jumpers. These are not school uniform. I have spoken to all the year 6 children, and if any of them come in wearing black cardigans and jumpers after this week, they will have detention.

**Swimming**

Next week is the last week for swimming lessons. The last lesson will take place on Friday 15th October.
Thank you to everyone who donated money to "Jeans for Genes" on Friday. We raised £244.22.

Parents drop-in sessions with the school nurse
These sessions take place in the Round Room at 2pm on alternate Thursdays.
If there is anything you would like to discuss with the school nurse, please pop along to one of the sessions. There is no need to book.
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NumberWorks nWords
Specialist maths tuition and English tuition
This company are offering a free assessment and introductory lesson. Postcards with further information and phone numbers are available to collect from the school reception area or you could take a look at their website www.numberworksnnwords.com

Dates for your diary
Wednesday 10th November
Table top sale in the school hall. Details to follow.

Friday 3rd December
Christmas Fete—more details nearer the time

Helen O'Grady Drama Academy
There is some information in the school reception area regarding the Helen O'Grady Drama Academy. If you are interested, please take one of the flyers from reception or have a look at their website www.helenogrady.co.uk

Parent Governor Vacancies
We have only received one application from a parent who would like to become a school governor. We still have two more vacancies. We have extended the closing date to Friday 8th October, so if you think you would like to become a school governor, please complete the form and return to school. If you've lost your form, you can collect another one from the school office.

Dates for your diary for the next few weeks
Wednesday 6th October—Year 4 Trip to Hampton Court Palace
Thursday 7th October—2pm—Parents drop-in session with school nurse
     Friday 15th October—School photographer
     Friday 15th October—3:05-3:40pm School council cake sale outside year 2
Tuesday 19th October—Year 3 visit Pizza Express (class to be confirmed)
     Wednesday 20th October—Harvest assemblies
     Thursday 21st October—Foundation Stage cake sale
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Thursday 21st October—2pm—Parents drop-in session with school nurse
     Thursday 21st October—Children break up for half term
     Friday 22nd October—INSET day—School and Children's Centre closed
     w/c 25th October—half term
Monday 1st November—children return to school

Mary Smith, Headteacher