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Dear Parents/Carers.

We have had a tremendous half term, with children working so well together and making great strides. Thank you for your ongoing and invaluable support.

Kitchen News

Our kitchen is going from strength to strength; children love the new menus, the hall buzzes at lunchtime! New cookers are about to be installed, taking us further towards our dream healthy food smörgåsbord!

KS2 Lunches

After half term junior children who eat packed lunches will be able to buy dining extras, to supplement their packed lunch. They will be able to select **one** of the following:

- > fresh fruit juice drink,
- > cookie/cake all cakes and cookies are made with reduced amounts of sugar.
- > yoghurt,
- > cheese and crackers,
- > a variety of fruit apples, prepared pots of strawberries, grapes etc.
- > vegetable dip pot.

The selection will vary from day to day. The children will be limited to **one choice only.**

There will be a single charge of 40p, cash, payable on the day. We anticipate high uptake and enthusiasm!

Coming up - Pancake Bar 5th March

This will be a themed lunch to celebrate Shrove Tuesday... sure to be popular!

Road Safety

Each class will be focusing attention on road safety with their teachers over the first days back after half term. They will explore the turning circle, the driveway and carpark and the hazards of cars on the premises.

The children will be clearly instructed that they must not walk on the driveway at any time. Please expect your children to insist on this rule being followed for the safety of all. Thank you.

Science Talkabout

What a great time of year this is to get out into the woods and look for signs of springtime on its way. See if you can find any signs of crocus or snowdrop bulbs emerging - snowdrops are generally a real treat at Chirk Castle at this time of year if you can make the trip.

If you get the chance, putting some bird food out on bird tables and in hanging feeders makes for fascinating viewing. Spend some time quietly watching with your child. See which birds dominate. This is the time of year when males will be defining territory, so you may see some squabbling underway!

Joy through Respect - in action this week

This week, as we look at what it means to open our hearts to Jesus and to others, we have explored the story of Jesus' calling of Simon and Andrew. Jesus used his mastery of the natural world to help those who were despairing.

We focused on Jesus' kindness and how kindness has such deep impact, especially when it is unexpected. The children have illustrated their thoughts with beautiful pictures and drama, prayer and song in their assemblies this week.

Tomorrow is **Random Acts of Kindness Day**, we invite you to enjoy all kinds of kindness, and we look forward to hearing about it all when we return to school.

And so we pray:

The children wrote our simple litany for this week's assembly.

We share it with you now.

When frustrated, fill us with your kindness.

When angry, fill us with your kindness.

When lonely, fill us with your kindness.

When sad and upset, fill us with your kindness.

When worried, fill us with your kindness.

When confused, fill us with your kindness.

When anxious, fill us with your kindness.

Lord, in your mercy, hear our prayer.

Have a good half term.

Warm wishes,

OLOP Team