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Dear Parents,

I would like to say thank you to those of you who have offered such kind and supportive words following on from the publication of our Ofsted report. It has meant a lot to myself and the staff team. We consider ourselves incredibly lucky to have such a considerate parent community.

End of half term reminder

School finishes at the usual time of 2.50pm on Friday 13th February, and is closed for half term during the week of 16th February. School re-opens on Monday 23rd February.

Reading Week

As you are aware, during the week of 23rd February we are celebrating reading and the following events are taking place across the week:

Tuesday 24th and Wednesday 25th February

Your child will take part in drama workshops on one of these two days which will be led by a group of drama students from Tomlinscote School.



Wednesday 25th February – 5.00 to 5.30pm

On Wednesday 25th February we will be holding a bedtime story evening. The children are invited to come back into school in their pyjamas from 5.00 to 5.30pm to listen to a couple of bedtime stories read by their class teacher. Parents are invited to stay in the hall during this event and refreshments will be provided by the PTA.

Friday 27th February

The children are invited to come to school dressed as an adjective. The outfit that your child wears can be as simple or as flamboyant as you wish!

Usbourne Book Fair

A book fair will take place on Wednesday 25th during the Bedtime Story evening and after school from 2.50 to 4.00pm on Thursday 26th February. The book fair will be located in the small hall and on the Thursday, parents and children can enter the event at the end of the school day through the main school entrance. There will also be the opportunity to purchase books online and further information will follow. The school will receive a proportion of the sales which will be used to replenish the books in our school library and curriculum areas.

Online Safety



Further to the recent letter from Miss Bates regarding Online Safety Day, the government have announced that they are launching a new website to support families and encourage regular conversations about what children are seeing online. Based on parents' main concerns and needs, [Kids Online Safety](#) provides:

- Tips for parents' conversations with their children.
- Actions to support each stage of their child's life.
- Parental controls information.

The website will also sign to trusted resources from charities and third parties, where parents can access other forms of support (like speaking to an expert).

The website will continue to grow and be developed this year, supporting the Online Safety Act and wider government aims.

School Photographs – Thursday 5th March

Our photographer will be in school on Thursday 5th March to take individual photographs of the children. If your child has a sibling in school, a sibling photo will also be taken in addition to the individual photo.

Comic Relief Red Nose Day – Friday 20th March

This year we will be raising money for Comic Relief on Friday 20th March. We would like to invite the children to come into school dressed in their choice of home clothes, including something red wherever possible, in exchange for a suggested donation of £1 for the charity. We would also like the children to learn a joke to share with their class! For hygiene reasons, we ask that the children do not wear or bring red noses to school and we kindly ask that you do not send your child into school with coloured hair or wearing face paint. Clothing and footwear should be appropriate for a school day, including for PE where applicable, and must be warm enough for outdoor activities and playtimes.



Parent Interviews – Tuesday 24th and Wednesday 25th March

As previously advised, the spring term parent interviews will take place after school on Tuesday 24th and Wednesday 25th March (later appointments will be available on Tuesday 24th).

You will be able to book your appointment online using the Parents Evening application within your ParentMail account or through the ParentMail App which is kindly funded by the PTA. Please note, you will need to be registered on ParentMail to be able to book an appointment – if you haven't yet registered, please contact the school office.

Bookings will be open from 7.00pm on Monday 16th March and you should receive an invitation to book parents' evening which will appear as a notification in your feed or menu. You will then be able to select a date and time that is convenient to you. If you need help you can visit the ParentMail help site: www.parentmail.co.uk/help/parenthelp/ and click on 'Applications' and then 'Parent Evening Manager.' Please note that bookings will close on Saturday 21st March. If you are unable to book your parents' evening appointment online, please contact the school office.

Each appointment will be for 10 minutes only, so if you feel that you will need longer, please see the class teacher concerned to make alternative arrangements. Due to the limited number of time slots available, there will be one appointment allocated per child; we are unable to offer multiple appointments. If you have any questions, please don't hesitate to contact the school office.

Mrs Haygarth's Marathon Challenge

As Mrs Haygarth enjoys setting herself a challenge, she will be taking part in the Brighton Marathon on Sunday 12th April. She has been out training in the relentless rain over the last couple of months and is demonstrating our school value of perseverance wonderfully well! Mrs Haygarth is raising money for the Alzheimer's Society. If you would like to find out more about her story or contribute to her fundraising page, here is the link:



<https://2026brightonmarathonweekend.enthuse.com/pf/sarah-haygarth-fc174>

We all wish Mrs Haygarth the best of luck and will be with her in spirit on the day! As we return to school after the Easter holidays the day after the marathon, if your child is in Willow class, please would you let them know that Mrs Haygarth may not be playing football with them or running around the playground with them on that day. We will let her take it easy for one day!

I hope you all have a lovely half-term break.

Kind regards,

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read 'L Chivers', written in a cursive style.

Mrs L. Chivers
Headteacher

Diary Dates

Monday – Friday	16th to 20th February 2026	Half term.
Monday – Friday	23 rd to 27 th February 2026	Reading Week.
Tuesday & Wednesday	24 th & 25 th February 2026	Tomlinscote School students visiting to run drama workshops.
Wednesday	25 th February 2026	Bedtime story evening from 5.00 until 5.30pm including Usborne Book Fair.
Thursday	26 th February 2026	Usborne Book Fair after school from 2.50 to 4.00pm.
Friday	27 th February 2026	Children are invited to come to school dressed as an adjective (describing word).
Thursday	5 th March 2026	School photographer in school to take children's individual photos.
Friday	20 th March 2026	Comic Relief Red Nose Day – children are invited to come to school in home clothes including something red.
Tuesday & Wednesday	24 th & 25 th March 2026	Parent interviews with class teachers after school. Later appointments on Tuesday 24 th .
Thursday	26th March 2026	End of spring term at 1.15pm – please note early closure.
Friday	27th March 2026	INSET Day – school closed for staff training.
Monday	13th April 2026	School re-opens for the summer term.
Monday	4th May 2026	Bank Holiday – school closed.
Tuesday	5th May 2026	INSET Day – school closed for staff training.
Thursday	21 st May 2026	Sports Morning – 9.15am to 10.30am.
Monday – Friday	25th to 29th May 2026	Half term.
Monday	29th June 2026	INSET Day – school closed for staff training.
Wednesday	22nd July 2026	End of summer term at 1.15pm – please note early closure.