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Dear Parents,

Welcome to Term 4! I hope you all managed to have a nice break and had a chance to relax. We have a very busy term ahead of us, with many exciting activities leading us into the Christmas holiday break.

ABSENTEES

Parents are required to inform the school if their child is going to be absent. This can be done in the form of a written note, email or via the school app/website.

SPECIALIST DAYS

Our Physical Education lesson is still held on Tuesdays, however, children are required to wear their sports uniform Tuesdays (faction top), Thursdays (faction top) and Fridays (red top). We also have our own class sport session which is now on a Friday morning. Formal uniform will be worn Mondays and Wednesdays. Please ensure your child is wearing the correct uniform on these days.

LIBRARY

Library book change is still on Thursdays. The children will need to bring their library bag inside the classroom each Thursday morning, ready for returning. We aim to do Lexile testing before library each week. This tests the children's comprehension of their borrowed book.

TOYS

To create an optimal learning environment, we kindly request that students not bring toys/make up/products to school. This helps prevent distractions, lost items, and any potential issues related to toys. We appreciate your support in maintaining a focused and happy space for all students.

CAPTAINCY

As the end of the school year approaches, our Year 5 students will soon have the opportunity to apply for Year 6 captaincy. This is an exciting time for them, as many have displayed strong leadership qualities, responsibility, and teamwork throughout the year. The children will present their speeches to the current Year 4 and Year 5 cohorts. We are working on speeches in class, although, children are welcome to work on this at home as well. They will present their speeches on the 30th October (Week 4) during class time. As this is an assessment task, and to ensure that students do not become overwhelmed, parents are asked not to attend.

IMPORTANT DATES:

Wednesday 30 th October	Year 5 Captaincy Speeches
Wednesday 30 th October	Year 5 Parent Camp Meeting (Year 6 camp)
Thursday 31 st October	Year 5 Mass- All Saints Day
Friday 1 st November	Peter Scott Literacy Award Presentation- Assembly
Friday 29 th November	Reading and Math Yearly Awards- Assembly
Friday 6 th December	End of Term 4

Lastly, please feel free to discuss with me any concerns you have regarding your child or events this term. The easiest way to contact me is via email.

I am looking forward to our busy final term!

Warm regards

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