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Dear Parents and Carers,

What a lovely way to start my Friday morning today, greeting all of the children in their World Book Day outfits! So much effort and commitment has clearly gone in to their outfits, and my goodness, how it has paid off! The children all looked wonderful today and seemed to be in such high spirits discussing their costumes, and the stories their characters were from. We have been very lucky to have had a dance workshop, a quiz, treasure hunt and an author visit, who read their book to Key Stage 1.

## **End of Day Pick Up**

If you have arranged for your child to be collected by another parent at the end of the day, please can you confirm with the school office who will send a message to the adults working in the child's class that day or the after school club team. If there is an unfamiliar adult coming to the school to collect for the first time, you must also e-mail into the office with the person's name and also a photograph, if possible. This helps to support our safeguarding procedures.

## **International Women's Day**

For International Woman's day this year, we would like children to choose an inspirational woman in their life and write a paragraph as to why they inspire them so much. If children could include a picture of the person who inspires them too, we will be able to make a wonderful display in school, as we did last year. The theme for this year's International Women's Day is Equality versus Equity and you can read more about this on <https://www.internationalwomensday.com/EquityEquality>. A really wonderful image to support the understanding of the difference between the two is shown below and applies to us all.

### Defining equality and equity





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## School Art Competition

I am very pleased to be able to confirm that during the Easter holiday, the pitch will be getting a revamp. We are currently in talks with Arsenal in the community, about updating the pitch itself, but in the meantime, we will be having a new fence put up around the pitch area and the whole of the back wall repainted. Instead of having a blank wall, we would like to have some art displayed on it. We are looking for some sports themed art murals to be added to the wall and are looking for the some brilliant designs from our pupils. Please see the attached flyer, which gives more information.

## Golden Book

Well done to all of the children listed below who made it into the Golden Book this week.

### Year 1

Nell

Faantole

Emily

### Year 5

Renee

Mumin

As Ash Wednesday took place this week, we used our time together as a school in collective worship to reflect, share our thanks and take time to remember the greatest sacrifice. I hope those of you who wished to, found time in the busy lives we live to do the same. Have a lovely weekend.

Best wishes,

Mrs Lindsey Hodgson

Head of School

