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Dear Parents/Carers,

Thank you to all those parents that came to parents evening this week I am delighted to report that we had 80% attendance. If you were unable to come and see your child's class teacher please do email them or talk to them in the playground to arrange an appointment before the Easter break.

It would be really helpful if you could give us some feedback on how you found the annual report format. We want the information on your child's learning to be really useful and provide you with sufficient information so you can support your child at home. One more week of learning until our Easter Holidays – remember we break up on Thursday 29<sup>th</sup> March at the normal time (Friday 30<sup>th</sup> is a bank holiday).

Cal Shaw  
Head Teacher

### Reception Gruffalo Hunting

This week we sent our little Gruffalos in Reception off into Finsbury Park on their Gruffalo adventure. They had great fun thank you so much to the parents that helped us.



Children in Year 2 went off hunting bugs and creepy crawlies ..... Look what they found! Again a massive thank you to the parents that helped us.



### REMINDER

Clubs ended this week and will start again on the week commencing Monday 30<sup>th</sup> April. Please book your child's place in activity clubs by Monday 26<sup>th</sup> March. Clubs end at 4.45pm and we really need you to collect on time as many of our instructors have other teaching commitments. From the Summer Term if children are collected late they will be placed in the After School Club and the full fee of **£10** for childcare will be charged.

### Clearing all Debt

**THANK YOU THANK YOU THANK YOU!**

You have been amazing at settling your school lunch fees, after school, breakfast club and holiday play scheme fees – we now only have £3,000 of parent debt which is great.

### Spring forward



Don't forget to set clocks ahead one hour at 2 a.m. Sunday.

## Changes & Developments in Music & Art provision at Stroud Green

Mollie, our music and art teacher, is leaving us at the end of term to pursue an exciting teaching opportunity in another school. I would like to thank Mollie for her years of hard work and dedication, she will be greatly missed. We have been incredibly lucky at Stroud Green to be able to have a specialist art and music teacher, and we remain absolutely committed to providing the children with as many opportunities as possible to learn and develop their artistic and musical talents.

The Governing Body and leadership team are totally committed to the promotion of a wider school curriculum which draws art and music into the everyday teaching of children. We are in the process of developing our new and exciting curriculum to be launched in September 2018 which will see music, art, drama, humanities, and science being interwoven into our teaching every day.

We are also exploring the use of visiting artists and musicians who will come in to run specialist projects for children liked to their topic and wider learning. We have some real opportunities now to draw the arts closer into our curriculum and develop the skills of our wider teaching team. The Stroud Green School Choir will still continue under the leadership of Ms Leslie. If you have any queries, please do not hesitate to contact a member of the Senior Leadership Team.

### Attendance & Punctuality Week commencing 12<sup>th</sup> March 2018

Year Group	100% Attenders	Number of Lates
Reception	44	4
1	33	8
2	47	0
3	51	2
4	26	0
5	43	10
6	38	1

**Well done Year 3 who had 51 100% Attendees**

### Friends Social Events

Massive thanks to the Friends for organizing the Bing & Curry Night last week! It was brilliant fun. The event was a fund raiser to raise £500 to buy a skipping workshop for the whole school - they managed to raise £510!!!

After Easter we will all be learning to skip.



### Good News on Progress

You will know that we have recently had a formal assessment week. Whilst we need to do some more work on how we make these weeks less test based, I am delighted that the information we gleaned supported our teacher's daily assessments. Children at Stroud Green are making brilliant progress in all areas of their learning. Our records show us that particularly in Reading and Writing children have made some fantastic progress since the start of the year.

I wanted to tell you how brilliantly your children are doing in school and what good progress they are making in our lessons. Thank you for your continued support – it's a great team effort!



**Reading Buddies**

Can you spare anytime to be a Reading volunteer?

We are in urgent need parents/volunteers to come and read with children in the afternoons – we will train, support and guide. (Give free tea and biscuits) We will select children who need a Reading Buddy in Years 2, 3 & 4 you will read at least weekly with the same children for a six week period! - we know this will make a real different to some of our children – can you help in Summer Term?

Email Cal ([head@stroudgreenprimary.com](mailto:head@stroudgreenprimary.com)) what afternoons you are available to help.