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Dear Parents/Carers

It has been a wonderful first half of the autumn term, and we are incredibly proud of everything our children and staff have achieved together.

Parent/Carer Consultation Sessions: Thank you so much for attending the recent consultation sessions. It was wonderful to be able to invite you into school and celebrate your child's achievements and discuss their progress so far this academic year.

Enterprise Week: It has been a hive of activity this week with children running their businesses. Alongside using and applying their mathematical knowledge and understanding, it has been great to see them developing key skills, such as decision-making, collaboration, creativity and resilience. Thank you for joining in the linked home activities and for attending the sales. We hope you enjoy using the products created by the children. Pupils are now busy calculating the total raised through the sales and working out whether they have made a profit. They will then decide as a class how that money should be spent – democracy in action!

Thank you to everyone who has already shared feedback on our recent school events. We really value your views, which help us to evaluate and improve the experiences we provide. Links to the feedback forms are below. All forms will close on Monday 2nd November.

- Meet The Teacher Sessions: https://forms.gle/Ji2i5c9yk3cAzh8s7
- Reading Engagement Session: https://forms.gle/g3KQSwz4wCbAFSq17
- Enterprise Week: https://forms.gle/pXMiSD8sTmHpHaut5

Staffing: After over 12 years at Mandeville, Mrs Du Casse will be retiring. She has been a much-loved and valued member of our team, making a real difference to the lives of so many children through her kindness, care and dedication. We are incredibly grateful for everything she has contributed to our school community. We will miss her enormously and wish her every happiness as she begins this exciting new chapter!

Book Fair: Thank you to everyone who supported our recent Book Fair. We raised a fantastic £866.63, which will be used to purchase high-quality books for every class, with a particular focus on celebrating diversity.

House Points: Next half term, we are trialling a house points system in Years 1, 3 and 6. The aim is to explore whether this provides an additional way to recognise and celebrate pupils demonstrating our school rules and positive attitudes to learning. We will gather feedback from staff and pupils before deciding whether to introduce the system more widely.

Wellbeing: For information, families can access the emotional wellbeing workshops provided by HCT Children's Wellbeing Practitioners. A range of workshops is available, covering topics such as resilience, emotional literacy, self-esteem, emotional regulation, sleep and wellbeing. You can book via the following link: https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/o/hct-childrens-wellbeing-practitioners-33494371787

Parking: Thank you to everyone for your support and consideration when parking near the school. We really appreciate your help in being thoughtful towards our neighbours.

Photographs: Individual and sibling photographs will take place on Tuesday 3rd November.

I hope you have a wonderful half-term week with the opportunity to enjoy some quality family time.

Yours faithfully

Miss Kara Hales
Headteacher