## **Dear Parents**

It was lovely to catch up with a few of you this morning in the beautiful sunshine - the first morning for sometime when I haven't been needed to cover in the office! It is so uplifting when the sun shines and we feel that first promise of the spring to come.

Many of the children are excited about Film Night tonight - we are so happy to be returning to some of the things we did as a matter of course before lockdown. Thank you to those parents who have volunteered to help out. We are really keen to recruit more members to our CHIPS team, to ensure that the work doesn't fall on the same few people. If you have some spare time to offer on another occasion we would be most grateful.

We also wanted to give you some warning about World Book Day which is on Thursday 3rd March this year. We hope this will give you enough time to think of a costume. However, we want to reassure you that we do not expect you to buy costumes for this. Home made outfits are often the most original and you may also have costumes or dressing up clothes that you can reuse. We also wanted to offer you the chance to donate your old, washed outfits, that your child may have grown out of. We will then display these on a rail in the entrance hall and you can come and choose a new outfit for your child in return for a small donation. We hope this also supports a more sustainable approach to World Book Day. Donations welcome from Monday.

It has been a long half term - and it's not over yet! Many other parts of the country break up today, but we have another week to go. Just a reminder that our last day will be Thursday 17th February as we are closed for staff training on the Friday. At 2.30pm on the Thursday we will be having a cake and uniform sale outside the Cabin. You will receive a paper plate with a raffle ticket on it early next week. If you return some cakes on the Thursday morning your ticket will be entered into a draw for a small prize! All funds raised will of course go to projects that will benefit your child in school.

Have a lovely weekend, With love from Jacky