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*"Barnabas, the Encourager"*

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Dear Parents/Carers

This week our Celebration Assembly will be on Wednesday 7<sup>th</sup> February at 2:15pm as the hall will be in use on Friday morning. At this assembly all children in Simmonds Class will receive a certificate for taking part in balance bike training and children in Year 5 and 6 who completed their Bikeability training before Christmas will also receive their certificates.

On Thursday and Friday this week, each class will have a yoga taster session so please ensure that PE kits are in school.

We had a wonderful (but chilly) 'Outdoor Day' in school last week. Children were inspired by the visit from the poet Anneliese Emmans Dean and wrote their own fantastic nature themed poetry. Key Stage 2 children planted a selection of trees in our grounds, including a plum and a cherry tree. We hope that children are enjoying reading the poetry books that they bought.

#### Pancake Day Menu

On Thursday, the Pancake Day menu will be served instead of the usual menu. Tuna sandwich and jacket potato will still be available.

#### E Safety

Safer Internet Day 2018 is being celebrated globally today with the slogan "Create, Connect and Share Respect: A better internet starts with you". Children will be doing some specific e-safety work around this theme this week.

Thank you for your comments following my recent letter about e-safety. One parent has passed on concerns about Roblox, which many children use in the multi-player game mode. There have been reports of unsuitable messages being posted even with the under 13 account set up. This link explains more about the game and the risks.

<https://thecybersafetylady.com.au/2017/06/is-roblox-safe-for-kids/>

As part of our e-safety work, we teach children to report any thing they see or hear on the internet that they don't like (tell parents / block people) and never to give out their personal details.

We finish for half term on Friday and return on Monday 19<sup>th</sup> February. The Out of School Club will be running Monday-Thursday. Have a good break.

Yours sincerely

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Headteacher