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Dear Parents and Carers

I hope that this email finds you well. I'm writing to remind you of next week's Easter events.

Monday 25th March - Easter Hat Parade and Miniature Easter Garden Competition

Children from Owlets to Year 6 are invited to make an Easter hat and bring it to school for a parade at 2.30pm on Monday, where hats will be judged and prizes awarded. Easter hats can be completely home-made or children can decorate existing hats. Those children who do not want to make a hat, can make a miniature Easter garden instead and bring it to school for judging. All hats and designs must be taken straight to classrooms. It would be lovely to see as many children taking part as possible so please do encourage them to get creative!

We plan for the Easter gardens to be displayed outside on the long playground and the hat parade to take place in the main, caged playground if the weather is fine. We will let you know if a wet weather plan if this is required.

Parents are welcome to attend and should arrive at 2.15pm, via the same side gate that is used at the start and end of the school day. The Owlets, FS and KS1 children will parade first, starting at 2.30pm. Once our youngest children have finished parading and prizes have been awarded, the school aged children will return to class and Owlets children can join parents who are watching the parades. At approx. 2.50pm, KS2 children will come out for their parade. At the end of the whole event, school aged children and Owlets children who are not already with their parents, will be ready to go home at the usual time of 3.15pm.

Tuesday 26th March – Whole School Easter Church Service

All school aged children will walk to the church during the afternoon, ready for our Easter Service at 2.30pm. Parents are welcome to attend but please note that space will be limited and many audience members may need to stand, as the whole school will be participating in the service. Parents will be able to go in to the church from 2.15pm.

The service will finish by 3.15pm and we are asking parents to **collect children from the church on Tuesday**. Treehouse children will be walked back to school after the service. There will be no after school clubs on this day.

Wednesday 27th March - Farleigh Hungerford Castle Trip Puffins & Goldfinches

Thursday 28th March - Farleigh Hungerford Castle Trip Robins & Kingfishers

Thursday 28th March – PTFA Easter egg Tombola after school

The Easter egg tombola will take place in the main school hall at 3.15pm next Thursday. Please do come along and support this PTFA event ☺

We also have some very exciting news to share with you regarding our plans to revolutionise our school lunches! Next term our catering team will be teaming up with Educatering.

Educatering is a complete school food and catering solution, focused on high quality, nutritious, locally sourced, fresh foods, being fed to pupils through delicious, child-led menus and meals.

When it comes to produce and products, they only provide the finest and this all stems from their ethos: Quality. Being growers themselves of the humble swede, sourcing produce from Devon, Cornwall, Somerset and Dorset has always been rooted in their history. They have a grower and supplier network from across the counties of our region, and wherever possible they support the families and businesses of the communities they supply. For those items that are not grown or produced here, they follow the seasons across the globe to provide us with the wares we need, when we need them.

As well as the best produce, they believe the best way to maximise the popularity of school meals, other than by providing the best produce, is by creating exciting meals specific to the school that children will enjoy whilst also being nutritional.

We are really looking forward to working with Educatering.

We warmly invite you to attend a <u>tasting session on the last day of term, at 3:15pm</u>. This will take place in the main hall, along with the PTFA Easter egg tombola. Please do come along with your child/ren and encourage them to taste some of the delicious food with you that will be available to them from April.

Thank you for your continuing support.

Best wishes

Mrs S Svenson Headteacher