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Dear Parents/Carers,

It has been a short but busy term, with many wonderful events celebrated as part of our whole school community culminating in a delightful Easter bonnet parade today. We have been pleased to share these with you, including the ones below.

Scholastic Book Fair

We are most grateful to staff for running the Book Fair during the week beginning 4th March, particularly Mr Davies for organising the event. As well as it being a week to encourage reading for pleasure, in line with our School Development Plan, it also provided funds which can be used towards new books in school to the amount of £328.21! Thank you for your support with this.

Universal Free School Meals

In line with the Welsh Government plan to provide Free School Meals to pupils, Year 6 will commence after the Easter break. This means that this year group will no longer be required to pay for school lunches after this date but will still need to select meals via Parent Pay. For those families who are entitled to apply for eFSM, this can still be done using the Carmarthenshire County Council website using the link below

[Free School Meals Entitlement](#)

Parental Engagement

Thank you to those parents who attended the Parent Coffee Morning on Monday 18th March. The morning generated much discussion and provided lots of valuable ideas for upcoming parent workshops. One idea was to share tips and ideas of activities which can be done at home during school holidays. This will be the focus of our next coffee morning which will be held on **Tuesday 30th April at 9.15am.**

I am also pleased to share with you the final word cloud from governor contributions to our parental engagement definition.

honest
understanding approachable
supporting
collaborative
effective

Now that all stakeholders have shared their ideas, these will be collated to form the definition which will be shared with you shortly.

Friends of Johnstown Easter Fundraising

We are pleased to share that the Friends of Johnstown Easter fundraising has raised a total of £370. The winners will be shared after the Easter break.

Celebration Video

Congratulations/Ilongyfarchiadau to all pupils who were awarded 'Gwasanaeth Gwych' and 'Seren yr Wythnos' certificates today. Prizes and certificates were also awarded to our Eisteddfod winners and runners-up per year group. Please follow the link to see this week's video.

[Celebration Video](#)

[St David's Day activities](#)

Wishing you all a wonderful Easter break with your family from the staff of Johnstown School.