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What's in your newsletter this week:

- Home-school agreement update
- A welcome
- Family Forum
- Celebrating Talent Assembly

What's on in school next week:

Monday 1st March at 1.15 Year 5 Cycle Training.

Monday 1st March
Year 6 visit to Lifeskills

Friday 5th March
Year 6 assembly, parents welcome to attend.

Celebrating talent Assembly

The next assembly will be on **Monday 29th March** at 9.15. Parents are very welcome to join us.

What happened in school this week-

The school council visited Cadbury Heath Primary School to see how they have organised their lunchtimes, with more play opportunities, including the new 'Playpod'. Some parents already know about the 'Playpod'. If you would like to find out more about this initiative, which the school is interested in developing, then please see Mrs Hatcliffe, Family Mentor, who can provide you with a DVD explaining it all.

Home school agreement

Thank you to all parents who have recently returned the Home School Agreement. Many of you have signed it already (thank you) and some have made comments about possible additional statements. These concerned homework. What we have decided is that although we do not feel it necessary to add anything to the Home School Agreement about homework, we do see that there is a need for us to have a look at our practice regarding homework and we

shall be doing this over the next few weeks.

Those of you who have not signed the Home School Agreement yet will have a chance to do so at the Parents' Evenings coming up later this term.

Family Forum meeting

The next Family Forum is on Thursday 4th March at 2pm. Jenny Hatcliffe (Family Mentor) and Elaine Skidmore (Chair of Governors) will be there to discuss general school matters that parents want to raise. These are proving to be very useful meetings and it would be great to see more parents coming along.

Welcome

I would like to extend a welcome to Julie Hogan, deputy headteacher at Kingscourt Primary School in Yate, who is spending a few days with us as part of her training to be a future headteacher. Julie is very interested in finding out about the 'Every Child Matters' work the school is doing, and especially how we help prepare children for their future economic well being. She is visiting all the classes and talking to teachers, but she would also like to get some ideas from parents. Next Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday mornings there will be some boards up in the playground so that parents can write some comments about how they feel the school helps prepare their children for their future economic well being, and what more we could do. The boards will be outside the main entrances. Julie will be very appreciative of any comments and she will use them as part of her overall picture of how the school carries out this important role.

Attendance for Term 3

Congratulations to the 235 children who attended school on every possible occasion during Term 3. Well done!!

Miss Wood and W2 and Mr Fry and F6 achieved the best attendance in their respective key stages, again many congratulations.