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Dear Parents/Carers,

We have ended this week on a high with a little bit of spring sunshine to cheer us up! The children have enjoyed this at lunch and breaks and with the new Tagtiv8 activities that they have done this week in school (ask your children about these).

School Photos

Just a reminder that there will be individual school photographs in school on **Friday 30th April**. Once again, I do apologise that we are unable to do the sibling photographs at this time, we just could not organise this with the working restrictions that we currently have in place.

Parent View

In my last letter, you may remember that I asked if you would complete the questionnaire on parent view to capture some of the lovely things that you have said about the school in the last few weeks. Thank you to all of you that did this. If you did not, I have included the link below-there's still time.

<https://parentview.ofsted.gov.uk/>

Wraparound Care

I mentioned last week about the Cluntergate entrance to school not being available for parents using wraparound care, we have reviewed this decision and whilst I appreciate that this is easier for parking, we still are unable to offer this entrance at this time.

We have had a few problems this week with ParentPay, they have notified us of outstanding debts on certain accounts that unfortunately were not actually debts. I do apologise if you have received a communication about this and would advise that we are currently looking into how this can be resolved.

School calendar

We have this week uploaded next year's school calendar on to our website (<https://horburyprimary.accordmat.org/term-dates/>). We hope that this will enable you to plan your holidays and also have early notification of our INSET days. We do in fact

have two remaining INSET days for this year; one at the end of the Spring Bank holiday on **Monday 7th June** and one at the end of the summer term on **Monday 26th July**.

Hand sanitiser

Can I request that parents do not send children in with hand sanitiser, individual soap or hand cream, unless this has been specifically prescribed by a medical professional. I appreciate that children's hands are getting chapped but this unfortunately is symptomatic of the situation we find ourselves in. I empathise with parents over this situation, however it does make it really difficult to manage in classrooms if children have a plethora of creams and potions at their disposal.

Finally, I hope that this weather continues into the weekend and we can all enjoy some outdoor activities with family and friends.

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read 'JK Tomlinson', written in black ink.

Miss JK Tomlinson
Executive Principal