Dear Parents and Carers,

Easter has arrived and with it the end of a fantastic term at Warren Road. There never seems to be a day go by without something amazing to celebrate, none more so than on Tuesday this week when children throughout the school used Aaron Becker’s book, Journey as inspiration for their writing and the book really did inspire... Aaron Becker himself read some of the children’s work online and tweeted ‘These are amazing words to a wordless book. Perhaps the most amazing I have ever read’. Praise indeed!

Science teaching has continued very much to the fore with children fully engaged in meaningful and memorable ‘hands on’ experiences to deepen their understanding. Both the Royal Institution and Orpington Astronomical Society have visited this term and taught us more about the chemistry of food and the moon. The Roots to Food workshops highlighted the value of a balanced menu as well as how to cook some very tasty dishes.

Earlier this month, a team went to St.Peter and St.Paul’s Primary School during British Science Week and were presented with the Rodney Cup after winning the Bromley Science Quiz.

In February, World Number Day provided the opportunity to find out more about numbers with some amazing interpretations of digits on the children's outfits.

Community links have been expanded far and wide this term. In January, we welcomed 34 children and their teachers from Fujian Xiamen Primary School, China a great experience for all concerned. This term, we have welcomed local residents into school, some ex-Warren Road pupils who enjoyed finding out more about Warren Road today. Last week, a group of children went to Foxbridge House, a local residential care home to share some of their poetry with the residents.

As a Teaching School and TalkforWriting training centre we have worked with more and more schools across SE England. Almost every week, up to 100 staff from other schools come into Warren Road to visit classes and observe excellent teaching and learning.

It has been reassuring to read responses to the parent survey with the great majority of parents very pleased with the work of the school. One parent said, “OUR school is JUST wonderful. Please keep it that way.” Communication has been identified as an area for improvement which we reviewing to ensure parents are kept efficiently and effectively informed about events, achievements and children’s progress.

The PTA have had another exciting term with the quiz, comedy night and Easter egg hunt. Excellent opportunities for children, family and friends to meet as well as raise invaluable additional funds for the school. We are delighted that the PTA have agreed to provide £9,500 of wonderful new books across all year groups. Increasing pressures on school budgets mean PTA funds have become invaluable. All parental support at events is much appreciated.

Congratulations to Miss Etherington who had a baby boy early on Wednesday morning. We also wish Mrs Jeffreys, Mrs McGeohan and Mrs Neville all the very best and we look forward to more news soon!

We look forward to seeing everyone safe and sound on Tuesday 17th April for the start of the summer term. Have a wonderful holiday and a very Happy Easter to you all from us all at Warren Road!

Richard Edmonds, Headteacher

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**Attendance**

Overall attendance for the year to date is 96.5%. The best class in Early Years/KS1 is 1K and in KS2 it is 3B and 4J. Very well done!

The bell is rung at 8.45am. Please ensure children arrive on time so they are in classrooms for 8.55am, there is always important early work to be done to start the day.
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### World Book Day saw classroom doors transformed!

**Sports Update**

This Spring term has been very exciting for sport at Warren Road! We’ve had lots of really positive results in different sporting areas. The extra curriculum clubs are gaining numbers each week and girls’ football, in particular, has grown so much that we’ve asked to have an additional Skills Academy coach for the sessions. The group have made huge progress this term and are competing well against other schools in the league.

Mr Rolfe has supported the Tag Rugby team, taking them to a tournament where they came 5th out of 26 teams in the developing division. The Year 5 and 6 Hockey Team took part in the Bromley school’s festival at Langley Park school which they thoroughly enjoyed.

The Year 3 and 4 cross country was a huge success with just over 50 children taking part. Congratulations to the Year 3 boys who came 2nd, the Year 4 girls who came 5th, the Year 4 boys who came 8th and the year 3 girls who came 23rd. A huge thank you to Mrs Keene for organising another fantastic event!

More recently, Miss Folkes and Mr Rose ran an Inter-House Swimming Gala during every classes’ lessons, which saw the Green and Blue teams tie first place with 101 points.

The year 6 boys football team have increased their unbeaten streak this term to 4 wins with a goal difference of 21! They are now joint top of the league with 2 remaining fixtures against Red Hill and Crofton.

We look forward to seeing what is in store for us in the Summer term! With the hopefully better weather and increased hours of light, netball and hockey clubs will be resuming.

James Rose -P.E Team

The 4th Warren Road triathlon will be on Saturday 7th July for all children in Years 4, 5 and 6. More information to go out soon after the holidays.

### Eco News

It’s been a busy but highly rewarding term for Eco at Warren Road. Firstly, all our hard work has been recognised again and we have had our Green Flag status continued. They were particularly impressed with the amount of input that the children have on school-wide ethos, so Well Done Everybody!

We have taken part in Waste Week. I was so impressed with all the excellent competition entries for the Waste Week monster and they’ll be announced soon. We have purchased a large number of water butts so that we can continue to be more sustainable throughout the summer months.

Linked to Waste Week, our Eco reps continue to ensure the school grounds are kept litter-free by doing daily litter picks. We took part in the Great British Litter Pick and is was great to see so many children getting involved. What was disheartening were the entrances to the school (particularly the Gleeson’s entrance). These were covered in litter again the following week with many people choosing to drop litter as they left the school grounds instead of putting it in a bin. We ask everyone to respect our environment and please put litter in the bins provided.

Looking forward, for 2 weeks starting on April 23rd, it is The Big Pedal. It would be amazing if as many people as possible could cycle or scoot to school for those weeks, especially now the weather seems to be improving.

We have recently had an article published about Eco at Warren Road which you can read at https://www.tes.com/sponsored/wwf/blooming-marvellous-how-environment-studies-grew-our-school-sponsored-article.

Have a great Easter break., Tom Bateson-Sustainability Leader