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Dear Parent,

Pupils have worked very hard and sensibly through this week of examinations and they have conducted themselves appropriately throughout. Next week will be important too as it will be a time for reflection. The message will be to note areas that went well and build on them. It is important to reflect and correct areas that did not go so well, as happens in life; and to look to improve for the future. The main message is to keep everything in perspective and that the whole process is a supportive and developmental one!

It will be good to welcome Ms Allen to assembly on Monday. Ms Allen will explain details about the forthcoming sponsored walk on Monday 4th June. This is the first Monday after half term. The money raised will be split between Hope House and Monduli Green Tanzania. Primarily the walk is for KS2 (years 3, 4, 5, 6) and is a fun event. Pupils have a choice of attempting a long or short walk. There are various competitions linked to the walk for the pupils to enter too. Year 7 and 8 pupils may choose to take part in the walk if they wish and must speak with Ms Allen first. Any Key Stage 3 pupil not taking part will attend lessons as normal. Pupils will be issued with sponsor forms to take home for the half term holiday. An extra fun element is that children may choose to walk in fancy dress (favourite characters from the Lion King).

PSHE morning is on the first Wednesday back after half term. A number of activities discussing personal, social and health issues will be worked through with the children. In conjunction with topics covered, KS2 will be holding a Cake Sale to raise funds for the NSPCC on Friday 18th May. Mrs Phillips would really welcome any donation of cakes to swell the fare on offer. All pupils will be invited to buy a cake at break so pupils may need some small change at school on that day.

It is pleasing to report that all nine qualifying Lower School swimmers performed exceptionally well in the West Midlands Championships. Katie Hale and Jake Hutchinson became Regional Champions and all swimmers won medals in their respective events. We wish our swimmers well in the Shropshire Schools Gala next Wednesday too!

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The book fair arrives on Monday 14th May and will stay in Lower School until Thursday 17th May. There is a form at the end of this newsletter. The form guides pupils and teachers when considering the amount a child will be allowed to spend on a book at the fair.

Thank you to parents for returning reply slips indicating pupil help on Open Day this Sunday. It is fine if pupils can only stay for part of the time as all of their help is appreciated. Pupils will need to arrive a few minutes before 1pm on the day. Cricketers should come in their tracksuit and guides should wear full uniform. I hope that the sun shines!

In the white School Calendar, you will notice the Ellesmere Art Exhibition takes place during the half term break. Families and friends are warmly welcome to attend. The event is open from 11am-9pm each day, Wednesday 30th to Sunday 3rd June.

I hope that you have a very good weekend.

Yours sincerely,

Sharon Owen

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LOWER SCHOOL BOOK FAIR

Pupil's name..... Form.....

may purchase a book(s):

- between £5.00 and £10
- between £10 and £15

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