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Dear Parents/ Carers

It was a real pleasure to present Jo and Andy Priaux from the Priaux Premature Baby Foundation with a cheque for £1,000 towards 'The Burrow' Appeal yesterday. Andy asked me to pass on his huge heartfelt thanks to all of the parents for their support at the collections and Christmas Jumper Day. He explained that his main priority in purchasing The Burrow was to keep families together when they need to be at Southampton Hospital because of a sick child or a premature baby. As parents I believe this is a sentiment we can all empathise with and so may I also add my thanks to everyone for their support.

Following parental questions, please find below an update on Maths Passports, particularly the way in which we see if the child has achieved their target.

I have detailed our residential programme in this newsletter to let everyone know which residential the children will be given the opportunity to attend each year. These are a wonderful part of the children's experiences where they come home exhausted and mucky but have had so much fun.

Have a lovely weekend everyone.

Mrs S Coughlin

Maths Passports

We introduced the Maths Passports last term and I'm pleased to see that the children are now starting to achieve their targets. As we develop the Passports we are adapting the way we check the children's progress and the teachers are not sticking rigidly to the 1 minute limit but using their judgement if they feel a child has achieved the target.

We are also now using visual prompts to help the children if needed, for example if they are asked to halve 64, the 64 is displayed.

Several parents have asked what sort of questions we use so attached to the newsletter are examples of the types of questions we would be asking. You will notice the language of them may be a little different to what you were expecting and so it helps to see them. So as not to clog up your inbox, half will be sent this week and half next week.

Safer Internet Day 6th February

This year's Safer Internet event will be held on **Saturday 6th February from 12—5pm at Beau Sejour.**

This year hopes to be better than ever with robotics, 3D printing and virtual reality part of the event.

Book Week

Apologies for the mistake in last weeks newsletter.

Book week begins on Monday 8th of February and dressing up day will be **Friday 12th.**

