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Dear Parents and Carers,

Spring

A tiny seed was sleeping, Underneath the ground,

The above lines are a nod to the interactive tableau that our Reception pupils performed yesterday in a packed to capacity school hall. The class were attired in an array of exquisite costumes that evoke the notion of spring. The songs afforded a marvellous platform to showcase their joie de vivre, and elicited a marvellously effusive response from the hugely attentive audience. Molly Johnson deserves much praise for her expert direction of the assembly.

Ramadan and Lent

On behalf of everybody at Thomas Jones, I'd like to take this opportunity to send all our Muslim families the warmest of Ramadan wishes and blessed Lent wishes to all Christian families.

Eclectic Curriculum

The study of the ancient world, a marvellously inventive series of music technology workshops and forthcoming educational visits to the Al-Manar Mosque, the Floating Classroom and Waltham Place Organic Farm - these are just a few of the many exciting elements that constitute learning at Thomas Jones this spring.

World Book Day

On this occasion World Book Day was a parred back, 'spare' affair. Nevertheless, the main objective of promoting quality books and the value of reading remained absolute. In the coming weeks, please ensure time is put aside to read together with your child. The impact this will have is huge. The library on the corner of Ladbroke Grove and Lancaster Road is a brilliant local resource. In my experience, the librarians who work there are insightful and always willing to afford an expert view when selecting quality literature, be it a picture book, a poetry anthology or a riveting collection of myths or legends.

Girls' Football, Swimming and Tennis

The girls' football team continue to excel, most recently competing against formidable opposition in an inter-schools borough trophy tournament. Our Swimming squad have started training in earnest for the summer term gala. Pupils have lobbied to launch a tennis club. This is something we are keen to explore. Sports Leader, Scott Gourley is in the process of considering how this may be doable as the weather further improves.

Yours sincerely,

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