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To all Parents/Carers,

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Egyptians, E-Safety Day and Mental Health Week, definitely three things that have come up quite a bit over the past few days! On the left we have our Year Fours doing some work on the back of their visit to Derby Museum, in the middle we have two children using our brand new Samsung tablet devices (paid for by Snowdon money and PTFA) and on the right Year Five and Six have looked at the stigma surrounding mental health, and explored artists who embrace their mental health and emotions in order to create wonderful art. This piece, inspired by Kandinsky, represented his own experience of synesthesia.

Indeed, this morning's whole school assembly, as I mentioned last week, saw every class talk about activities they had been doing related to positive mental health. I was lucky enough to teach Year Three on Tuesday and we ended up doing some meditation – we also looked at how to keep healthy inside and out. Sleeping well, eating well and doing plenty of exercise were three ideas that the children seemed to think were pretty good. In case you missed it, Monday's assembly is now on the website in the Pupil Wellbeing section (it can also be found under 'Assemblies'):

<http://www.markeaton.derby.sch.uk/Pupil-Wellbeing>

In other news, a letter is going out soon asking for your help! We would like to set up an International Food Court at the Summer Fair and we are asking for parents/carers/family members from different countries to get involved. If this is something that interests you then please contact me via the school office.

And lastly, our Senior School Improvement Officer from the Local Authority was in this week and she was especially complimentary about our school website, among other things; calling it one of the best she had seen. She is also an Ofsted Inspector so it's fair to say she has seen quite a few school websites in her time!

Have a great weekend,

Mr I. Johnson