



Dear Parent/Guardian

Just a note to say thank you for all your support this term. It feels like it has been a long, wet and dark Autumn. But the children have been incredibly resilient and as expected they have been the best part of our school.

So many of you have turned up to support your children at Workshops, Early Morning Learning activities and our Christmas productions. Some of those had more than 150 people in attendance. Thank you so much. Your support and attendance at these occasions means so much to the children.

Unfortunately, due to our Ofsted visit, we had to postpone our Parents evenings that were scheduled only two weeks ago. We will now have these on **15th and 16th January from 3.30pm to 6.45pm.**

The school will be closed during the Christmas break. We look forward to seeing you and the children on **Tuesday 7th January.**

I would like to remind you, if I may, that we start in the mornings at 8.45am. We close the doors at 8.50 am. Those that arrive at school at 8.50am or later need to be registered at the main office. Parents and children that arrive by or before 8.50 am in Reception and Year 1 are invited to join their children in class till 9.00am. Sadly, those that arrive after 8.50 am are not able to join the class as this can be disruptive for children. Please arrive on time, particularly if you would like to join in with your children's learning. Year 2 parents are invited under the same conditions to join their children's class on a Friday.

We have begun to grow our PTA (Parent Teacher's Association) which we have called FoW (Friends of Winterbourne). We would very much like more of you to engage with us and will also be looking to invite family members to become 'Class Representatives' for each class. I look forward to seeing more of you supporting this group on behalf of our school.

We are also saying Goodbye to two teachers. Mrs Burrell and Mrs Ashe are leaving us. We wish them both well in the future. Mrs Johnson, a new teacher, will be replacing Mrs Ashe in Kipling class. I know she will be welcomed by all.

In the first weeks of next term we will send out details of Parents Coffee mornings, Parent Workshops and invitations for parents to attend Class assemblies. We look forward to seeing you support those occasions. We will also report on the Ofsted visit following receipt of the report.

We aim to continue to send out our weekly Year group newsletters as we prioritise our communication with parents and families. However, if there are areas you would like us to improve on I am happy to hear from you. Furthermore, if there are things you think we are doing well kindly let us know in a brief note, letter or email.

Wishing you all a very happy holiday and wonderful Christmas.

King regards

R. Devlin
Head teacher