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School Newsletter – Spring 1 14th February 2025

Upcoming Behaviour INSET and Curriculum Focus

As part of our ongoing commitment to providing the best learning environment for our children, our staff will be engaging in an important INSET session on the 24th February (school is closed to pupils) focused on behaviour, curriculum, and restorative behavioural practices. This training will help us refine our approach to behaviour management, ensuring that our strategies not only support learning but also foster a positive and respectful school culture. We look forward to implementing these approaches across the school and working together to enhance our children's educational experience.

Exciting New Maths Homework App - Doodle!

We are thrilled to announce the launch of a brand-new Maths homework app after the half-term break! This innovative tool has been proven to deliver excellent results, helping children to develop confidence and fluency in Maths. We will be introducing the app to children and families upon our return, with guidance on how to access and use it effectively at home. We encourage families to engage with this new resource and support their child's learning journey. More details will follow soon!

Parent Survey Feedback – We Have Listened...

A huge thank you to all parents who took the time to complete our recent survey and attend my drop-in sessions. We truly value your feedback and are working to implement changes in response to your suggestions. Some of the key areas you highlighted include enhancing our offer through events for children, improving our approach to homework, and strengthening our communication channels. Mrs Potter is currently collating all responses and will provide a full overview after half term.

Improved Communication Updates

You'll also find attached our new communications guide. Dojo will now be our primary method for quick messages to teachers rather than email, ensuring clearer and more efficient communication.

Another goal is to create a 'shop window' that showcases the fantastic work happening at our school. We are excited to announce that we will be launching our official Instagram page in the next half term! This will be another great way to celebrate our school's achievements and share key updates. Before we begin sharing any photos, we will be requesting data sharing permissions from parents to ensure we have your consent to share images of your child. More details on this will follow soon.

A Reminder About the School Day

A prompt start to the school day is essential for maximising learning time. School begins at **8.40am**, and children begin learning activities straight away in all classes. To support this, the school doors will close at **8.50am**, ensuring that all children are settled and ready to engage in their learning from the very start of the day. Additionally, doors to the Year 5/6 classrooms will be shut after entry at **8.40am** so we keep the site secure, and any children arriving after this time should make their way in via the Year 2 corridor. We kindly ask families to ensure their children arrive on time to make the most of their school experience. Thank you for your cooperation!

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Looking Ahead to Next Half Term

We have seen some wonderful updates from children and classes via Dojo, and we are delighted to see such fantastic engagement from families. As a reminder, dates for the next half term were sent as part of the last bulletin. We will be adding further specifics to our dates in the next half term and look forward to welcoming families to our **coffee morning with me and Mrs Potter on Wednesday 5th March**. We also look forward to seeing families attend our **Spring Parent Meetings**.

We wish you all a wonderful and restful half term and look forward to welcoming everyone back soon!

With best wishes for half term break,



Mrs Beth Hacking - **Headteacher**