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Dear Parents,

Welcome back. I hope you all had a relaxing and happy break. We have lots of exciting events already planned for the term. Please see the list of dates below and put them in your diary.

### **Staffing**

A very warm welcome to Mr Andrew Chapman who is teaching in Holly Class and to Mrs Karen Gonoude who is working as a Teaching Assistant in Buttercups Class Tuesday and Wednesday mornings. I am pleased to tell you that Mrs Slade is expecting her second baby due in January. Congratulations to the whole family. Mrs Slade will be with us until the end of the autumn term. I will let you know of her replacement as soon as I can. Mrs Trott (SENDCO) will be working all day Tuesday and Wednesday. She will be available to speak to you after school on these days via an appointment; you are also welcome to speak to her in a drop in session on Tuesday mornings 9.00-9.30am.

### **Haven't we done well!**

It is lovely to tell you of our recent successes:

### **Dyslexia Friendly award.**

Many congratulations and thanks to Mrs Trott who put together a very comprehensive portfolio celebrating all the great things we do as a school to help children with dyslexic tendencies. This is now going to be used as an exemplar for other teachers. I am very pleased to say that we have just been given an award to recognise us as a dyslexia friendly school.



## Sainsbury's Gold mark.

For the second year running we have been awarded the Sainsbury's **Gold** Mark, the highest accolade we can be given, in recognition of everything we do in school and the children do outside of school to promote the participation in physical activity.

Congratulations to the whole team and in particular Mrs Stafford who has led the team, to Mrs Reeves who has co-ordinated the work of the sports Crew and to Mrs Killick who has inputted all the data onto the system. We are now working towards achieving Gold for the third time!

## School Sports Partnership awards.

I recently attended the above awards ceremony and was very proud to pick up two awards on behalf of the school. The first award was in recognition of the fantastic work Mrs Reeves and the Sports Crew have been doing both in school and working with other school to promote sport. This included planning and running a very successful Festival of Sport involving other NEARS schools and also running school events for KS1 and 2. Our school was also used as an example of good practise to other schools. The second award was given to recognise the school making the most of opportunities to develop PE and sport for all the children.

## Healthy Schools Status.

Last but not least I recently applied for our Healthy Schools Status to be renewed and put forward the work of the Sports Crew as an example of how we are helping to keep all the children fit and healthy. I am pleased to tell you this has now been renewed.

## Walk to school week 14<sup>th</sup> – 18th September

If you would like to participate in walk to school week please meet at Hookers Farm from 8.05am – feel free to have coffee at the farm and then walk the children across the fields to school, alternatively you can just drop the children off and they will be walked across the field. **Walking bus leaves Hookers Farm at 8.25am.**

## Dates for the diary

14 <sup>th</sup> – 18 <sup>th</sup> September	Walk to school week
Tuesday 15 <sup>th</sup> September 3.00-3.30pm	Come and look at your child's new classroom and meet the teacher
Friday 25 <sup>th</sup> September pm	FOTS Wellie walk - details to follow
Friday 2 <sup>nd</sup> October 2pm	Harvest Festival service in the Church
Wednesday 7 <sup>th</sup> October 10am -12	Open morning for September 2016
Friday 16 <sup>th</sup> October 9.15am	6 weeks in meeting for Reception parents- more details to follow
Week beginning 19 <sup>th</sup> October	Curriculum week -Hinduism
Wednesday 21 <sup>st</sup> October	FOTs AGM
Thursday 5 <sup>th</sup> November	FOTs Fireworks
Friday 6 <sup>th</sup> November 1.00pm – 2.00pm	Open afternoon for September 2016
Monday 9 <sup>th</sup> November 5.30-7.30pm and Wednesday 11 <sup>th</sup> November 2.30-5.30pm	Parents consultation evenings-

Tuesday 1 <sup>st</sup> December	Decorations day
Thursday 3 <sup>rd</sup> December 10am - 12	Open morning for September 2016
Tuesday 15 <sup>th</sup> December 9.00am Wednesday 16 <sup>th</sup> December 2.00pm	KS1 Christmas concert
Tuesday 15 <sup>th</sup> December 2.00pm Wednesday 16 <sup>th</sup> December 6.00pm.	Christmas performance KS2
Thursday 17 <sup>th</sup> December pm	Christmas parties
Thursday 17 <sup>th</sup> December am	Y6 singing at nursing home
Friday 18 <sup>th</sup> December 9.00am	Carol service in the Church