



Message from the Headteacher

Dear Parents and Carers,

Happy New Year! I hope that you had a lovely Christmas holiday. It has been wonderful walking around the classes this week to welcome the children back to school. I have seen the children following our expectations, being ready to learn, being respectful and being engaged in their learning.

During our School Council meetings last term, the children discussed ideas for improving playtimes. They decided that they would like new playground zones with different equipment and activities to do in each one. We launched the new playground zones today. The children had a great time!

"I loved dancing to the music with my friend," Sienna Y2.

"I played football with different children in other classes," Gabriel Y2.

"I loved making a dove," Mackenzie Y2.

"Playtime was fun in the values garden and I made a values chain," Hannah Y2.

Best wishes

Miss Michelle Prince Headteacher



For more photographs, please see the gallery on the school website.

Half Term Value - Perseverance

We launched our new half term value by listening to the story of Noah building the ark. He persevered, even when other people were telling him to give up, because he knew that's what God wanted him to do.

Kids with Bricks

This week the children were asked to make crocodiles. Micah's model was voted as the favourite this week, well done! There are still spaces available for this term. Please click the <u>link here</u> to book a place.





Friends of St John's

Happy New Year from the Friends of St John's! Exciting things coming up this term include a disco on February 2nd and a cake sale on February 9th. Look out for more details in upcoming newsletters.

Items wanted

If you have any unwanted Christmas presents you are looking to regift, why not consider giving them to the Friends of St John's to use as prizes for raffles and tombolas etc.? Any new items would be appreciated, including drinks, food (best before dates after July 2024), toiletries, kids' toys and games etc. Please drop any items off at the office labelled FAO Becky Lee.

Attendance		Dates f
Well done Giraffes!		Januar Monda
Be Here! ATTENDANCE COUNTS Class Weekly for Week beginning	Attendance	Forest Wedne Life Edu Thursd Life Edu Friday
Elephants	86.4%	Five Lo Tuesd a
Giraffes	99.2%	Dentist Februa Friday
Dolphins	88.3%	School Tuesda
Pandas	98.5%	Safer Ir Monda
Snow Leopards	93.3%	Monda Tuesda Dentist
Whole School	93.1%	Tuesda Dentist

Dates for your diary
January
Monday 8th January
Forest School starts for Reception class
Wednesday 10th January
Life Education Visit
Thursday 11th January
Life Education Visit
Friday 19th January
Five Loaves Bakery
Tuesday 23rd January
Dentist Talk for Y3 and Y4
February
Friday 2nd February
School Disco
Tuesday 6th February
Safer Internet Day
Monday 12th - Friday 16th February - Half Term Break
Monday 19th February - INSET Day
Tuesday 20th February
Dentist Talk for Y1 and Y2
Tuesday 27th February
Dentist Talk for YR

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