



The Head Teacher's Fortnightly Newsletter

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Giving the chance to shine

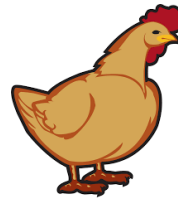
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Dear Parents / Carers,

Welcome back to the beginning of the Spring Term! I hope you have all had a fantastic Christmas with your families and a very **happy new year!**

During the Christmas break we were very sad to lose one of our three chickens Rosie who passed away after being poorly. At this moment in time we don't have plans to replace her as a new addition to a coop with two established chickens would not be fair. Our other two **chickens** are happily doing well – Shelly and Rachel. If some parents can remember we got these chickens as 'eggs' a few years ago and with pupils, watched them hatch. This was an amazing experience for all of us and the chickens became a valuable addition to our school.

The children can see the chickens regularly on our school grounds, as the chickens are given the opportunity to roam freely on a daily basis at the back of our school. They love the allotment area and the wooded areas best! Mrs Wilkinson our **Outdoor Learning Assistant** gets children from across school to help her on a weekly basis to help look after them – some **very important learning** goes on here. In addition to our chickens, we now also have **guinea pigs** in our Early Years – Honey and Smudge. Our nursery and reception children do an excellent job of looking after them every day!



Best Wishes
Mrs D Linacre

Attendance

Week Beg: 08/01/18 and 15/01/18.

The information below tells you the attendance % for each class, for the last two weeks.

Class	%	%
2	94.4	90.6
3	93.7	93.7
4	97.3	95.0
5	95.5	96.3
6	98.3	95.8
7	95.6	96.5
8	87.9	97.2
9	87.0	89.9
10	98.0	100
11	97.8	95.6
12	95.1	92.9

The classes have been coded against the national average.

Red – Below
Yellow – Borderline
Green – Average or above

Punctuality

The information below tells you how many times a child has been late at each Key Stage in the last two weeks.

Rec/KS1	KS2
26	23
29	25

Please make sure your child comes to school on time!

New Learning Topics / Themes!

All the children have new exciting topics in their classrooms this half term to engage them and make learning fun! Project homework has gone out and can also be found on the website. All children have had an 'Engage' day to start their topic off. KS1 discovered a crash site on our field as part of their new 'Moon Zoom' topic.



I wonder what it could have been?! It certainly got them interested and excited!

Year 5 and 6 had a visit from an Egyptian lady and Early Years built a fire and made hot chocolate to keep warm, as part of their 'Winter' mini topic.



All teams have now sent out their newsletters so you can find out about what your child will be learning this coming term!



Daily photos of the children learning both indoors and outdoors are put on our website and Twitter feed.

Staff and governors are committed to the safeguarding and wellbeing of all the children in their care.

