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Headteacher's Newsletter

Staffing

In the last term we have been restructuring our classroom support staff (teaching assistants). This is to ensure that the school has the structure to meet the school needs. This involved changing the Nursery Nurse role to that of an EYFS practitioner and increasing our inclusion support staff. Mrs. Halliday and Mrs. Matthews both chose not to accept roles in the new structure and left at the end of last ½ term. Mrs Halliday and Mrs. Matthews have both worked at Parkgate Infants and Nursery for a long time and I would like to personally thank them for their contribution to the school and wish them all the best for the future.

We are currently recruiting for a new teaching assistant however until a replacement has been found Mrs. Caianniello will be working in Year 2 4 mornings a week. Please see below for current staffing:

	Teacher	Classroom Support Staff
Fox	Miss Annal	Mrs. Caianniello
Badger	Miss Jeeva	Ms. Hunt
Squirrel	Miss McGrath	Mrs. Jarvis (HLTA)
Rabbit	Mrs. Jones	Mrs. Redding-Jeffrey
Hedgehog	Mrs. Siebu	Mrs. Sahoo
Mole	Miss Clarke	Mrs. Ryan
Ducklings	Ms. Nichols	Mrs. Butt (EYFS Practitioner) Mrs. Ross

Communication

It has come to our attention that some parents are not getting all messages from school. I would like to ask parents to ensure that they have registered their e-mail address with the school office. I would also ask that you download the school gateway app to ensure that you are kept up to date.

Flu Vaccinations

These have taken place this week. Children who have not been vaccinated this week will have come home with a letter. If you complete and return this form then further vaccinations will take place on Friday 29th November.

Aldi Stickers

Aldi are currently offering sports equipment for schools. If you receive stickers as part of your shopping then please send these into school.

Admissions 2020-21

Admissions are now open for September at www.hertfordshire.gov.uk/admissions to apply for both Reception and Junior school places. You should apply before 15th January 2020.

Nursery Admissions 2020-21

Admissions is now also open for Nursery places for September. Please speak to the school office for information on how to apply.

Behaviour

At present we are reminding the children of our golden rules. These are:

- We think of other people's feelings.
- We take care of our school and equipment.
- We work hard and quietly and allow others to do the same.
- We are kind, gentle, polite and honest.
- We listen to others.
- We keep ourselves and others safe

It would be lovely if you could remind the children of these rules at home. We are also encouraging the children to be independent e.g. hanging their own coats on their pegs, putting hats and scarves in PE bags and picking these up if they are on the floor rather than just stepping on them!

Future Dates for the Diary

Fri 15th November, 9:00am - 9:30am	Rabbit Class Assembly
Fri 22nd November, 9:00am - 9:30am	Mole Assembly
Fri 29th November, 9:00am - 9:30am	Badger Assembly
Mon 2nd December, 9:00am - 9:30am	Christmas Party Helpers Meeting
Thu 5th December, 9:00am - 10:00am	EYFS Play
Fri 6th December, 9:00pm - 10:00pm	EYFS Play
Thu 12th December, 9:00pm - 10:00pm	Key Stage 1 Play
Fri 13th December, 9:00am - 10:00am	Key Stage 1 Play
Thu 19th December	Nursery Christmas Party
Fri 20th December	Term Ends school finishes at 1pm

Thank you for your continued support. As always, please contact me if you have any queries or concerns. If you wish to make an appointment, please speak to Mrs. Ryan in the school office who will be able to book a mutually convenient time.

Mr Gwyn Pritchard
Headteacher