

14 December 2018



Dear Parent/Carer

#### Change of Menu - Wednesday 19 December

Please be advised that the kitchen will serve fish fingers & chips as a special treat on the last day of term.

#### Reception Admissions 2019

Just a reminder that the deadline for primary admissions is 15 January 2019 so if you or somebody you know needs a Reception place for next September, please don't forget to complete the online application.

#### KIC Theatre

It is with great pleasure that we are welcoming KIC Theatre back on the 7 & 10 January, during our first week back to school next term. The children always look forward to these workshops and we are sure that this will be an other great start to the new year.

#### Year 5 Swimming

Pygora Class will start their swimming lessons on **Tuesday 8 January**. We are, once again, in the fortunate position of being able to use our funding to cover the cost and we will be using our own minibus along with that of Phoenix Primary School to transport the children. Please ensure that your child brings the necessary swimming kit in school on Tuesdays. A separate letter has been sent home to Cashmere Class with full details.

#### Christmas Fair

Thank you to everyone who came to the Christmas Fair and also participated in the cake competition. Once again The Friends of Goat Lees have made the Fair an amazing event and it was thoroughly enjoyed by all those who attended. The event made a profit of £975, our thanks go to the Friends of Goat Lees and in particular Mr Green who was in school organising our Fair for much of his holiday!

#### Autumn Book Fair

A big thank you to all involved. We raised over £200 in rewards which we have used to purchase new books for our library.

#### Book Swap - Wednesday 16 January

Our next Book Swap will take place on **Wednesday 16 January**. If your child wants to participate, please ensure they bring in a book they are happy to swap.

#### Parish Council

The Parish Council is looking to welcome parents from the Goat Lees area to join the Council. If you are interested, please contact the school office.

#### Thank you

Thank you to everyone who supplied costumes for KS1 performances, your support is very much appreciated. We are looking forward to Reception and KS2's performances next week.

**Please remember that our last day of term is Wednesday 19 December when school finishes at 3.15pm.  
May I take this opportunity to wish you all a very Happy Christmas and we look forward to seeing all our families again in the New Year, when we return on Monday 7 January**

**T A ADAMS**  
Headteacher



# IMPORTANT!

## OUR SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

It has come to our attention that some parents are not accessing our newsletters and we want to address this as a priority.

We send our school newsletter via the “Homeconnect” email every other Friday. If you do not receive it, please ensure you update the school office with your new email address. Please also check your junk/spam email folder in case our newsletter has arrived there. The newsletter is also uploaded onto our school website at the same time, and paper copies are always available from the school office.

As both children and parents can be inconvenienced and even distressed if they do not know what is happening it is important for our parents/carers to read our bi-monthly newsletter. Please find below the reasons why you should read it every time:

- Important dates & timing of events
- Information relevant to your child/ren’s class
- Fundraising events
- Changes to existing arrangements

Since returning to school in September and especially in the lead up to Christmas, we have found increasing numbers of parents/carers making return trips to school with forgotten items. This is in addition to an excessive amount of DAILY phone calls to find out details of the day’s events.

The office is always busy as the school is now full to capacity and it would be very helpful if parents/carers could check on our website if your enquiry is about term dates and events. The office staff are also responsible for administering medication and are often the first point of call for children who are unwell or need First Aid and may not be able to answer your query immediately.

PLEASE keep up to date with developments as we do not wish any child to be disappointed or distressed by missing out.

*Merry Christmas  
and  
Happy New Year*

