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Dear Mums, Dads and Carers;

As the term comes to an end, we are busy underway with wrapping up (excuse the pun!) our learning for the term and ensuring that our skills and knowledge is embedded. Not only do I see amazing learning occurring in class as I walk through our school, I also hear the soothing tones of the children as they get ready to wow you with their singing next week.

Children are invited to come in for their **performance wearing festive clothes** (hat, jumper, scarf etc.), if **their performance** is during school time, please come in to school wearing uniform and bring your clothes to change into with you.

Our **Christmas Bazaar** will be 30 mins before and after each performance and we would love to welcome as many of you as possible to wander around our stalls and support the school. As such I am sending home a **paper plate** for each child today, please could you send the plate **back to school with cakes** on it please on the **day of your child's performance**. These will then be sold at our **refreshment stall**. I thank you in advance for your support.

Many parents have asked if it is possible to **wait after school before next week's performances**. To help, we will provide an **empty classroom** for you to sit in, however we are unable to supervise children and ask that all **children are accompanied** by a parent. We hope this helps.

Due to performances next week and the Christmas Bazaars, all after school clubs run by staff members have finished this week, therefore there will be **no school run clubs next week**.

In the **New Year**, we will be running **Breakfast and After School Care Clubs**. These are there to support our families in ensuring children come to school on time and also for families who have work commitments and find it a challenge to drop off and pick up from school. Please look out for the letter detailing times and costings on Monday.

A HUGE PLEA – I really need your help. Many parents are still parking on grass verges, across private drives and in places that are unsafe for children. Not only have our neighbours around the school sought my help on this matter, but I am also concerned for the safety of children walking along footpaths that are blocked and dangerous. Please can you park in allocated bays only and support the schools rule of "Respect."

Library Book Amnesty

Please have a dig around at home for all those West Sussex School Library Books which you may have lurking in bookshelves and bring them into school on Monday so that the Library can be audited. Many thanks for your help.

Star of the Week – This week our stars are overleaf as always, there have been so many wonderful learning experiences and efforts it was hard as always to choose. My **Headteacher award** goes to **Katie** for her help with looking after our school Guinea Pigs and ensuring that they are used to being handled by children.

My **EggCellent** award this week goes to **Mrs Chris Lane** for all of her organising of the office, the new reception area, the resourcing and making sure we have enough money to spend on learning and school environments.



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Our Stars of the week: Selina, Sammy, Sean, Erisa, Jamie, Yusuf, Sameeha, Laiba, Harley, Dylan, Alex, Alysia, Jessica, Ezri and Lilli.

House of the Week – This week's winners of the Mill House Cup are Gazelles with a score of 39. Thank you each and every team member of the school for your contributions in your learning and efforts.

Attendance Cup – Well done to Van Gogh class for achieving the highest attendance again this week. You have been in school for 99.17% of the week. Thank you for giving your efforts to your learning.



Please note that Christmas Jumper day is Friday 18th December. It is in line with National Christmas Jumper day and you are invited to join us. If you would like to donate to this charity we will leave donation buckets on the gate and office on the day and will send all monies raised to Save the Children. Children can wear a Christmas jumper with non-school uniform on the day.

I look forward to seeing you all next week, have a wonderful and an enjoyable weekend!

Kind regards,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Matt Lecuyer'.

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