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Dear Parents and Families

A very warm welcome to Mrs Hodkinson our new Administration Assistant who started work on Monday. Mrs Hodkinson has joined us from Weaverham Academy and joins our great office team of Mrs Platt, Mrs Bushell and Mrs Mitchell.

Congratulations to 1SM who have won the Golden Table this Friday, they will be served first without having to queue, by myself and the midday team, will eat their lunch (pizza and chips) at our beautifully decorated table and be served their juice in our Golden Table champagne flutes! Well done 1SM.

Mrs Graham thanks all those children who have applied to be E cadets – she will be appointing children to their posts shortly.

Congratulations to Mrs Catherine Sandland who was elected as a Parent Governor last week. I look forward to working with her on the Governing Body during her term of office. Mr Simon Groves has agreed to remain on the Governing Body as an Associate Governor.

Egyptian Day - Year 4



The children were asked what the best bits of the Egyptian day were... dressing up, the sarcophagus of Tutankhamun, holding and drawing the artefacts and acting out the roles of Pharaohs, Scribes, Craftsmen and Slaves! It was a very interactive and practical way of learning.

Staff Car Park

Huge thanks to Mrs Lou Clague for her ongoing commitment to the staff car park – Governors and I are increasingly concerned about the speed at which parents arrive to drop off at Kids Count and the ongoing misuse of the staff car park and the inconsiderate parking in our immediate locality. We are working on improving this situation with Governor support and PCSO support.

Mrs Graham's Parents' Appointments

Reminder that 2SG Parents' Appointments are on the afternoon of Tuesday 22nd and evening of Thursday 24th. Please contact the school office if you would like to make an appointment with Mrs Graham.

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Parents in school at the start of the day

Whilst we operate an open door policy we are becoming increasingly concerned that some parents are in school later than 09.00am and in some cases wandering in and out of classrooms while children are getting changed for PE first thing in the morning. This is happening particularly on a Tuesday and a Wednesday morning on the Year 3 and 4 corridor. If you are dropping off at the exterior door at the end of the corridor please say goodbye to your child there and then, so the children in Year 3 and 4 are not embarrassed or uncomfortable whilst getting changed.

Pupil Parliament

Pupil Parliament took place for the first time last week, with Mrs Cade (Chair), Mrs Bushell (Notetaker) and a representative from one class of each year. The idea for the pupil parliament is for each year group to be able to talk about the things in school that matter to them, both good and things they feel can be improved. Children will be invited to attend from each year group, one class at a time, and the hope is that the sessions will produce '2 stars' (for the things the children think are going well) and a 'wish' (where they would like to see something improve).

In the first meeting, the discussions centred on behaviour and the marking of school work, producing positive points on the whole. The children's 'wish' would like to see more security cameras around school to monitor poor behaviour and would also like there to be 'girls only' time in the pens.

NHS Nasal Spray

The nasal spray for flu will be administered by the school nurses on Monday 21st November for all children in Years 1, 2 and 3 who have returned their forms. If you wish your child to be immunised and have not yet returned your consent form, please do so as soon as possible.

PTA Update

This Friday 18th November is the **Year 1 Cake Sale**. Please send in homemade/shop-bought cakes etc. with children in the morning (nut and kiwi-fruit free). The cake sale will take place after school (and Year 1's Celebration Assembly) in the small hall – please come along and help Year 1 to raise money that will be spent on their own classes.

The **2nd hand uniform stall** will also run alongside the cake sale once again.

Film nights - KS2 - Wednesday 7th December KS1 - Tuesday 13th December

Letters were sent home with children last week. There are still some places available; please return request slips as soon as possible.

Bags2School – these will be in your child's book bag tonight and should be returned before 9.00am on Friday 25th November.

Readers of the week

<u>EYJD</u> Grace K and Jacob A	<u>1SM</u> Francesca W and Phoebe H	<u>2RB</u> Seb F and Isaac J	<u>3AP</u> Olivia C and Caleb J	<u>4NS</u> Seth C and Nyah DK	<u>5MH</u> Lucy A and Charlotte S	<u>6CL</u> Fynnleigh A and Olivia B
<u>EYKR</u> Isabella H and Jacob M	<u>1NC</u> Charlie R and Lucas E	<u>2SG</u> Jack B and Eva C	<u>3LM</u> Ava W and Liam A	<u>4HR</u> Nancy C and Alfie M	<u>5SH</u> Megan K and Matthew P	<u>6MW</u> Hope J and Alex McW

Celebration Assembly

This week it's the turn of Year 1 to host their Celebration Assembly. Miss Cookson, Mrs Morton and I look forward to seeing you on Friday at 2.45pm in the school hall; please enter via the front door and school office. Many thanks.

Kind regards

Miss M Fairweather

Headteacher

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