



Spring Grove Primary School

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Dear Parents,

Tomorrow, **Wednesday 20th December, is the last day of term**. School ends at 1.30pm and there is no Extended Day Care in the afternoon. It will be Toy Day for children in Reception to Year 6. Please label all toys with your child's name and pop them in a named carrier bag too. Anything brought in is at the owner's own risk. Please encourage your children to choose a toy that will lead to sociable play between groups of children rather than a one player activity or toy. Toys should not need electricity and should not involve any rough play – thank you. Mobile phones and i-pads are not allowed in school.

We are saying **farewell to Ms Goodwin** tomorrow, our Year 3 teacher. Ms Goodwin is moving to Kent and will leave at the end of this term after spending two and a half years with us here at Spring Grove. I am sure you would want to join me in wishing her well for the future and to thank her for all the hard work that she has put into the school. We will miss her. Year 3's new teacher is Ms Hiscock and she will join us in January.

Each year group will be sending out its **homework tasks** for the holidays. We are stressing that the school holiday is a great time to talk and read with your children. Please keep a keen focus on this during the break. The children and staff have worked amazingly hard this term and we do not want the momentum to be lost. Thank you for your support with this. If you have **a sort out of your children's toy collection** in the New Year, we are very happy to receive any board games that you decide to dispose of for our wet play games collection. Thank you in advance for your donations.

Please make sure your children **bring home their PE kits, coats, sweatshirts, pencil cases, lunch boxes etc today** or tomorrow. PE kits need a good wash and please check that plimsolls/trainers still fit properly – thank you. For your information, there are a couple of **menu changes** to next term's choices. On 3 Jan, the main option will be pizza and not roast and on the 18 Jan, there is a special Chinese New Year menu.

If you have a child of current Nursery age, may I remind you that the **closing date for Reception applications** for Sept 2018 is 15th January 2018. You will need to apply online. Late applications go to the bottom of the pile. If you need any help with your online application pop into school and a member of the admin team will be happy to help you.

Finally, **a huge well done** to the children for their fantastic concerts and performances over the last few weeks and their incredible approach to their learning this term. I am very proud of all the children and staff and send them my heartfelt thanks. Thank you for your help and support from home too, you make a big difference to your children's success. I would like to wish you all a very happy holiday and look forward to seeing you in 2018. Term begins at the usual time on Wednesday 3 Jan.

Yours sincerely,

Ms M.Buckby