



14<sup>th</sup> January 2022

Dear Parents and Carers,

We had a very special ceremony in school on Tuesday this week – when the children in Year 3 were awarded their pen licences. They were so proud that all the effort they had made in improving their handwriting meant they could now work in pen. Apologies that the sunshine on that morning means the photo is not perfect but their smiling faces make up for that! Well done Year 3.



We have also received a thank you note from the local food bank – they were so pleased with the donations of toys you kindly made just before Christmas. They were able to give out over 480 main gifts and 650 stocking fillers because of donations received this year. Thank you again for your generosity.

Next week we will send you the overview of learning for individual classes and a termly update from the teachers. In the meantime, I thought it would be useful to provide some confirmation of key dates:

Half-term	Monday 14 <sup>th</sup> – Friday 18 <sup>th</sup> February
INSET Day	Monday 21 <sup>st</sup> February
Nursery end of term	Thursday 31 <sup>st</sup> March
End of term	Friday 1 <sup>st</sup> April (school finishes at 1:30pm)

This year we have been advised by County that we should allocate an additional day off school as the bank holiday for the Queen's Platinum Jubilee falls within the summer half-term holiday. The day we have chosen for this is **Friday 27<sup>th</sup> May** and school will be closed that day. We will be celebrating the jubilee in school from the 23<sup>rd</sup> to 26<sup>th</sup> May.

I know many of you are starting to think about summer holidays in the hope that things will be more normal this year. School finishes for the summer on **Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> July 2022 at 1:30pm**. The start of the next academic year for pupils will be on **Monday 5<sup>th</sup> September 2022** (Thursday 1<sup>st</sup> and Friday 2<sup>nd</sup> September will be INSET days and school will be closed for pupils on those days).

I hope you all have a good weekend,  
With best wishes

Sharon Barton, Head Teacher