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Welcome Back

Welcome back to school and a Happy New Year to you all.

We would like to welcome Miss Caroline White to our teaching staff. Miss White will be teaching Year 5 and 6 children in Class 3.

Adverse Weather

We will always attempt to keep the school open unless the conditions are so severe that it would be unsafe for us to do so. If this is the case, we will keep you updated via the Ourschoolsapp and our school Facebook page so it is important that you have access to these platforms.

<u>Swimming</u>

Class 2, Year 3 & 4 pupils will begin their 10 week block of swimming lessons at Teesdale Sports Centre on Tuesday 15th January 2019. Please remind your child to bring in their swimming kits each week. Thank you! Goggles can be worn, if required.

Sports Events

- Class 3 (Y5/Y6) will be attending Staindrop Academy on **Wednesday 6th February 2019 (pm)** to take part in a Netball Competition.
- Class 1 (Y1/Y2) will be taking part in a multi skills competition on **Thursday 7th February 2019 (pm)** at Staindrop Academy.

Emergency Contact details

Please ensure to update us if you or any of your emergency contact details change. It is essential that we have accurate contact numbers in the event of an emergency. Thank you.

<u>Uniform</u>

All children should have a PE kit and indoor shoes in school with them at all times. They will be returned at the end of each half term to be washed and to check for fit, but must return with pupils at the start of the following term.

Could we also ask that uniform and coats are labelled or have your child's initials on the tags for easier identification. Thank you.

Snack money

The cost for snack for this half term (6 weeks) is £6 and this is payable via ParentPay. We are offering healthy snacks such as rice cakes, cheese and crackers, breadsticks, brioche, fromage frais etc. This is in addition to the fruit that is available to KS1 children.

Medicine in School

We are more than happy to administer medicine in school that needs to be taken 4 times per day, however we can only do so with written consent from parents. A responsible adult must safely deliver medicine to the office and a consent form must be completed.

We are now able to administer over the counter medication, ie Calpol, however we can only do so if the child has taken it previously. Written consent is still required.

<u>Fundraising</u>

We are getting there with our Slide Fund thanks to one of our amazing parents who has managed to secure us a donation of £2500 from TK Maxx. We are not far off our target now and will be having a final push soon. Thanks for all your help with this.

Stars of the Week (December)

EYFS: Benjamin, All of EYFS for Theatre Trip, Joey

Class 1: Isla, All of Class 1 for Theatre Trip, Iris

Class 2: Amie, Jack H, Joab

Class 3: Hannah, Aurelia & Paige



Well done everyone! Keep up the good work!

<u>DATES FOR YOUR DIARY</u>		
	<u>Date</u>	<u>Event</u>
	31/1/19	Year 5 visit Staindrop Academy for a "Taster" morning 9.00 - 13.00 (lunch provided by Staindrop Academy)
	4/2/19	Year 4, 5 & 6 Sports Programme at Staindrop Academy 4.00 - 5.00pm
	6/2/19	Class 3 (Y5/Y6) Netball Competition @ Staindrop Academy @ 12.30pm
	7/2/19	Class 1 (Y1/Y2) Multi Skills Festival @ Staindrop Academy @ 12.30pm
	12/2/19	Collective Worship with Reverend Steventon
	15/2/19	Break up for half term
	25/2/19	School re-opens for start of Spring Term 2.

