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Weekly News

Dear Parents/ Carers,

Welcome back and Happy New Year! We hope that you all had a fun and relaxing break and are ready for 2018.



Parent Class Representatives

We are meeting again next Thursday and we are looking forward to receiving feedback and sharing all upcoming events. The focus for our discussion this half term will be the curriculum. If you would like your thoughts and opinions heard regarding what is taught in your child's class, or what you would like to see happening, please talk to your rep.

Early Birds

We are going to be running some early morning support groups and one to one tuition for identified pupils. If your child has been selected to receive additional help or challenge and extension work, a letter will be sent home next week.

Toast Club

We have had very little response to the Toast Club offer that we sent out before Christmas. We are looking at reducing the cost to 50p day for the first child- if you have more than one child, the cost will 10p each for the extra children. If you receive benefits or your child is on free school dinners or has been in the last 6 years, you will be entitled to a reduce cost place of 10p per day. Please let us know if you are interested and note that when toast club starts, there will no longer be toast available during morning break.

Clubs

We hope that you have all managed to book on to our clubs? For more information, please see the clubs section on the school website or call to speak to Mrs Toolan in the office.

Head Lice

Please could parents make every effort to treat head lice as there are children in school who have not been treated. We have received a number of complaints from unhappy parents who are spending a lot of money clearing their children, only to become reinfested when returning to school. If you need any support with this please contact the school office.

Our School Values

Each half term we will be focusing all we do in school around a value. This half term is Thoughtfulness. We launch each week with a Monday Values assembly and ask the children to consider this through all they do that week. Talk to your child about this.

Uniform

It has been lovely to see the strong majority of children return to school in full and correct uniform. We will be sending home reminder slips regarding incorrect uniform and keep a record of this in school. Please ensure your child is wearing correct uniform, specifically school shoes- if you have a concern, please speak to us.

Free School Meals

If your financial circumstances have changed please ensure that you have applied for Free School Meals for your child. Even if your child is in F2 or Key Stage One and does not pay for a school dinner, they may still be entitled to additional support and services in school through the funding that we receive for them. If you have any questions, please see Mrs Morris or Mrs Dennett.



Rabbits!

Father Christmas very kindly brought us school pets! We have two beautiful rabbits who the children are currently thinking of names for. Year 5 will be preparing an information booklet on caring for them and we are hoping they may be able to go on holiday to some of our families soon. This is the start of us looking at introducing animals in to our Courtyard space, it is something that the children are very keen to develop further. Look out for Eastway Urban Farm in the future...

Upcoming Dates

Sincere apologies for having to cancel the school disco today, our members of Friends of Eastway are having personal difficulties and have found it tricky to organise. We will make it up to the children and will let you know as soon as we have booked in something else. Thank you for your understanding and patience.

Friday 12 th January		New Year School Disco CANCELLED	F1-Y2 3.30- 5 Y3-Y6 5.15- 6.30
Friday 16 th February		End of half term	
Monday 26 th February		School reopens after half term break	
1 st March		World Book Day	
23 rd March		Sports Relief	
29 th March		Easter Service	