

### **HEAD TEACHERS LETTER**

On behalf of all the staff, may I wish you a warm welcome back to school. I hope you all had an enjoyable Christmas and New Year, although it seems rather a long time ago already! The children have had a great start to term and I have already seen some excellent work and behaviour.

This term we are increasing our reading cafes to one per half term, as they have been very successful and popular. We hope you will continue to support them as it means a lot to the children to have a family member there and it is having a positive impact on the children's reading. Remember, it doesn't have to be a parent who attends, other family members are welcome too. We look forward to seeing you all for the parents' evenings being held after half term. The friends will also be organising several events throughout the term, which you will hear about.

With all of these things, your support is really valued and it does make a difference. As always, if you have any concerns please do not hesitate to speak to myself or another member of staff, we will be happy to help.

Mr R Edwards



In the event of our school closing because of snow, we will put messages on Radio Norfolk, and also on our website and Facebook page.

Norfolk County Council has now added the ability for parents to receive text messages and/or emails of unplanned closures should parents wish to do this. This is something parents need to sign up to individually. For more information on how to do this or how to check Norfolk's school closure page please go to our website for the links.

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28 <sup>th</sup> January	Llamas Reading Cafe
29 <sup>th</sup> January	Zebras Reading Café
3 <sup>rd</sup> February	Pandas Reading Café
5 <sup>th</sup> February	Koalas Reading Café
10 <sup>th</sup> February	Tigers Reading Café
12 <sup>th</sup> February	Lions Reading Café
13 <sup>th</sup> February	School finishes for half term
23 <sup>rd</sup> February	Back to school
3 <sup>rd</sup> March	Parents evening – 5.00-7.30
4 <sup>th</sup> March	Parents evening – 3.15-5.30
4 <sup>th</sup> March	Year 1 trip to Norwich Castle
10 <sup>th</sup> March	Llamas Reading Cafe
27 <sup>th</sup> February	Quiz and chips Evening
12 <sup>th</sup> March	Zebras Reading Café
12 <sup>th</sup> March	Pandas Reading Café
13 <sup>h</sup> March	Family Easter Disco
17 <sup>th</sup> March	Koalas Reading Café
19 <sup>th</sup> March	Tigers Reading Café
19 <sup>th</sup> March	Lions Reading Café
27 <sup>th</sup> March	End of term

### **School Vacancy**

We are looking to appoint an enthusiastic, hardworking and conscientious cleaner to join our team of cleaners in caring for and cleaning our school.

£6.50ph, 10 hours per week, 2.30-5.30 daily, term time only.

To apply please ask the school office for an application form.

Closing date 23<sup>rd</sup> February 2015



Friday 6<sup>th</sup> March
7- 10pm
More Details to follow

Reading cafes – we invite you to come into school to enjoy a story read to you and your child's class by either the staff or a visiting reader. This will be followed by an activity planned by the staff for you to enjoy with your child. Coffee and biscuits will be available. This is a lovely opportunity to spend time with your child in school learning and having fun together. The cafes have been a huge success so far and your children really do look forward to seeing you there.









# **Bookbags**

Please ensure that any trip returns, Friends money or after school clubs slips are in a named envelope and either handed to the office or a member of staff in your child's class, and <u>not</u> put in book bags.

This is to ensure returns are prompt and money is not mislaid. Please continue to use the book bag as correspondence with your child's class adults. Also, please could drinks bottles not be put inside book bags we are getting a few leakages!



#### **Parents' Evenings**

Parents' evenings will be held on 3<sup>rd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> March for all classes.

Time slot lists will be going up outside the classrooms after half term for you to book your time to see your teacher. This will be on a first come first served basis.





## Sickness

Please can you inform the school if your child will be absent from school. The school has a 24hr answering machine for reporting a childs absence.

If your child has sickness and/or diarrhoea they need to be clear for 48 hours before returning to school.



### Christmas Carols at Sprowston Day Centre

The Christmas School choir sang at Sprowston Day Centre and received a warm welcome. The Day Centre made them feel very welcome and even sang along with the carols. We would like to the school of £40 and the tins of sweets and



Christmas Jumper day
We raised a fantastic £133.70 for Save the Children, thank you, the whole school looked very Christmassy!!



#### **Christmas Grotto**

A big thank you to Santa and the Friends for the children's end of year Christmas presents. We would also like send a special thank you to Neasa in the office for creating another fantastic grotto for us all to enjoy.











Year 1 & 2
Christmas Performances









