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*Following the example of Jesus, together we learn, love and respect one another  
to be the best we can be.*

Dear Parents/Carers

### Head teacher's note

Welcome back to school after a busy festive period, and a happy new year to all our pupils and families. I hope you had a lovely Christmas and the children have had a good break after a busy Autumn term. We are looking forward to all the events this term beginning with Faith Week next week.

Please remember to put any important dates in your diaries and check the newsletter and text messages for up to date information.

### School News

Mr Connolly will not be returning to St Michael and St John's and he is thanked for his 12 years of service to the school. The governors will begin the process of securing a permanent replacement. Mr Chambers will continue to teach year 4 and Mr Smith will be the temporary deputy headteacher.

### Celebration Assembly

Assembly will be every Friday morning as usual but this term we will not be having class assemblies on a Friday. After half term (W/C 18<sup>th</sup> Feb) we will be holding class assemblies on Wednesdays at 3.10pm where parents are invited. Celebration assembly will still go ahead on Fridays with the first one being tomorrow.

### Sports & Clubs News

All clubs start next week, except choir which is 24<sup>th</sup> Jan. If you have applied for a place, you have been accepted. There are still places on the morning clubs. Please ensure cross country has been paid for.

### Welcome

This week we welcomed Lolita and Tomy to our school. Thank you to all the children for making them feel welcome.





## Diary Dates

### January-

**Friday 11<sup>th</sup>**-celebration assembly

**Monday 14<sup>th</sup>**- Faith week.

Yr 3 trip to Hindu Temple

Closing date for primary admissions

**Thursday 17<sup>th</sup>** - Yr 5 & 6 Roefield

**Friday 18<sup>th</sup>** - PTA meeting 2.30pm

NO ART CLUB

Thursday 24<sup>th</sup> - Class photographs

Monday 28<sup>th</sup> - Netball -Oakhill  
4.00pm

Tuesday 29<sup>th</sup> EYFS coffee morning

### Upcoming dates:

6<sup>th</sup> Feb- Yr3 Rock 'n' roll day

11<sup>th</sup>Feb- Netball Oakhill 4.30pm

15<sup>th</sup> Feb- school closes 3.30pm -

Half term

PTA valentine Disco

12<sup>th</sup> March 6.30pm Reconciliation

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Parents' evening- 26<sup>th</sup> & 27<sup>th</sup> March

## Other news

### Spring reading Comp

See attached flyer for details



### Sawley House Treat

Well done to our house point winners, Sawley. They will be treated soon.

### Year 3 trip

On Monday 14<sup>th</sup> January, as part of faith week Year 3 will be visiting the Hindu Temple. Thankyou for the contributions towards this trip. Consent must be in by Friday for your child to attend. All classes will be learning about the different faiths and some children will do a show and tell at next Fridays assembly.

### Dinner Money

Don't forget to ensure dinner money is upto date in order for your child to receive dinners.

## Class news



### Dojos

Each class is now starting to use ClassDojo. This is an educational classroom communication app used between parents and teachers and another way to positively reward our pupils. Work can be shared as can rewards, bringing the classroom in to your home. Parents can be informed about our wonderful work taking place in each classroom. Please be aware that teachers will only respond during working hours and because this is a celebration of our pupils work and behaviour we politely request that this is not used for other communication e.g. appointments which should be referred to the school office. We hope you like it.

### Triple R

Year 3 are trialling **TRIPLE R**, a book initiative encouraging our love for reading. Read, Recycle Reread is a way of children exchanging their old books with classmates. Instead of throwing them out they can simply bring them into school, they are then added to the class library and then another classmate can read their book and vice versa. The library grows and the children have new books to read!