



Dear Parents, Carers and Friends,

11th January 2018

A note from Mr England:

I would like to wish everyone a happy new year and welcome back for the spring term. A final thank you to everyone for such wonderful support for our activities during the Christmas period and I hope everyone had a healthy, merry Christmas, despite outbreaks of Australian flu!

This spring term is a short term, with only 5 weeks either side of the half-term break - a list of dates is printed below for your information.

In Collective Worship this week, I asked the children "Why do we say happy new year? Does it mean anything?" - the responses were wonderful - the best being Lewis in Year 5, who decided we shared good wishes for the coming year in order to 'spread kindness'. What a lovely way of starting the term!

*With very best wishes for 2018,
Simon England*



Clubs - Wk. beg. Monday 15th January

(please note new days for Fame Academy and Computer Club)

Monday - Create Club, 3.30pm-4.30pm

**Tuesday - Fame Academy, 3.30pm - 4.15, Y6
Booster Club, 3.30pm - 4.20pm**

**Wednesday - Computer Club, 3.30pm -
4.15pm**

Thursday -

Multi-Skills—lunchtime

GoalSports Football, 3.30pm - 4.30/5.30pm

Spring Term Diary Dates so far...

Tuesday 9th January – School reopens

Monday 15th January – Swimming starts (9 weeks, 10.45-11.30am, Year 3 plus extra children)

Friday 2nd February – Family Achievement Assembly, 3.00pm

Tuesday 6th February – Safer Internet Day

Friday 9th February – Break up for half-term

Monday 19th February – School reopens

Thursday 1st March - World Book Day

Monday 12th March – Parents' evening

Tuesday 13th March – Parents' evening

Wednesday 14th March – Braiswick Photographers – Class Photos

Friday 16th March – Family Achievement Assembly 3.00pm

Wednesday 21st March – Easter Fair 2.00pm

Friday 23rd March – Easter Service 2pm, Break up – end of term

Parent/Carer Survey



Thank you to everyone who completed and returned the 'Parent/Carer Survey' before Christmas. The survey has given us some vital information regarding homework routines and the children's use of the internet and technology at home - information we can use to make sure the homework we send home or encourage the children to complete is as effective as possible. The survey also gave us valuable feedback about clubs and useful information regarding the demand for after-school care. The results of the survey will be shared with the Governing Body at their spring term meeting. Thank you for your help!



Use of social media, mobile phones and digital photography—Important!

We have developed a new policy for the use of social media (Facebook, Twitter), mobile phones and digital photography in school. As a school it is crucially important to get our approach right—this affects everyone! Our policy is designed to cover the following areas: “Use of social media by pupils and staff in a personal capacity”, “Use of social media by staff in a professional capacity”, “Our approach to use of social media by parents/carers”, “Procedures for inappropriate use and incidents of online bullying”, and “Specific information relating to use of mobile phones, digital photography and personal devices”.

Before the policy goes to the full governing body for approval and adoption, I would really appreciate some feedback from the perspective of parents - **so I'm asking for some help!** If any parents would be prepared to read the policy and let me know their thoughts, please just let me know and I will provide a copy of the draft policy for you to take and look at. You can email me at Kilham.head.primary@eastriding.gov.uk or just pop in and ask for a copy. Any feedback would be gratefully received - we want to get this right; so we are safeguarding the children effectively and also reap the benefits of communication through new technology.

Thank you in advance for any help offered!