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MESSAGE FROM MISS HURFORD

Dear Parents and Carers,

Happy New Year! Welcome back. Hope you all had a wonderful Christmas and enjoyed this special time with your children.

This is a short half term but still lots to do. I will be revising the homework policy and asking for your input to ensure consistency throughout the school. In the meantime please continue daily reading, this is paramount for your child's progress in all areas, and any other homework set by the class teachers.

May I remind you that we expect all children to be on the playground by 8.50am ready for a prompt start to learning at 9am.

As you will see from the Curriculum Overviews sent home with the children today there are lots of exciting learning opportunities to look forward to.

Enjoy your weekend.

Miss Hurford

Family Points



Aisthorpe



Peverell



Dinham



Powlett

Mathematicians of the Week

Seacole : Tristan

Lewis : Harry

Drake : James



Stars of the Week

Darwin: Henry

Seacole: Khiarna

Lewis: Amelie

Drake: Will H



TERM DATES 2017/18

	Autumn	Spring	Summer
Term dates	6th September - 15th December	4th January - 29th March	16 April - 26 July
1/2 Terms	23rd - 27th October	12th - 16th February	28th May - 1 June

Our Christian Values are:

Teamwork

Forgiveness

Respect

Honesty

Kindness

Faith

CLASS NEWS

First Steps and Darwin

First Steps and Foundation have loved learning about Jack Frost this week, reading the story of 'Jack Frost' by Kazumo Komara. The children have painted icy pictures, made Jack Frost masks and even had a snowball fight!

Next week we will be thinking about Winter and the seasonal changes that happen—perhaps you could talk about this at home.

Seacole

Happy New Year! We have started learning about what London was like in 1666 and how Thomas Farriner started the fire when a hot coal fell out of his oven. In Maths, we have been learning about odd and even numbers and doubling. Please keep reading regularly at home to support our work at school. Regular home reading leads to the greatest progress! Here are some pictures of us making street scenes from 1666.



CLASS NEWS

Lewis

We have started our exciting new topic on Ancient Greece.

The children also ran really well this week and discovered how long it takes them to run a mile. Many of their predictions were correct about their time.

Drake

This week has seen Drake class be introduced to their new topic – The Shang Dynasty of Ancient China. We will be looking at creating links across the curriculum to this fascinating period in time.

They have also continued their work on fractions, decimals and percentages – looking at the links between them. In English we are writing non-chronological reports and have been trying to improve the quality of our sentences by adding: expanded nouns phrases, prepositions, adverbials and conjunctions – feel free to ask the children about these terminologies!

In PE we are getting ready for an upcoming tag rugby tournament by continuing the great work they did last term on invasion games and relating their skills in a game situation. We hope to continue the success of both our netball and sports hall athletics teams who both qualified for the East Devon Finals.

UPDATES TO THE SCHOOL LOCAL GOVERNING BODY (LGB)

The LGB would like to recognise and thank Matthew Huddleson and Vivienne Heeley for all their efforts as part of the LGB over the past four years. Following Matthew Huddleson stepping down as chair of governors and Vivienne Heeley as a governor, in the Autumn LGB meeting we appointed one new community governor and one new foundation (church) governor. Sheon Sturland is our new community governor and Kate Danby is our new foundation governor. I look forward to working alongside the new members of our team as we support the school on it's journey of improvement. The other change has been that I have taken over the chair of the LGB.

Changes to our LGB structure mean that we are also looking for an additional parent governor. We will be sending out the formal documents soon, but if you would like an informal discussion about the role please contact Helen Hurford or Gail Foreshew.

Gail Foreshew, chair of LGB

PARENTS EVENINGS

First Steps will be holding Parents Evenings on Wednesday 17th and Wednesday 24th January.

Darwin Class will also be on Wednesday 24th January.

Sign up sheets for First Steps and Darwin are now available by their classrooms.

Parents Evenings for Seacole, Lewis and Drake Classes will be held on Thursday 25th and Wednesday 31st January. Sign up sheets will be available by the school office from next week.