



# Hello and welcome from the Head Teacher

New Year, New Start, New Term and New Shoes (slippers too)!

Thank you so much to you and your children for the warm welcome you have given me to our school. It has felt very much like a flying start, and I am working hard to get to know the children's names and link families and friends together. My resolution this year was to know all the names by the end of January - quite a challenge, possibly. What resolutions have you made for 2016? I know that Year 3 have been working on their resolutions and how they will make positive changes during this year.

We have been provided with Marvellous Me through the Wayland Cluster. This is our way of communicating with you as families throughout the day, and providing you positive feedback about your children's learning. How often do we, as parents, ask the question 'what did you do today?' and get the reply 'nothing' or 'can't remember'. This tool can provide the positive starting points for you to be able to engage in a conversation over the dinner table about the learning from the day.

Our morning routine is developing, and working well so far. The parking needs to be considered, looking at the restrictions we have - especially keeping awareness of the safety zones of yellow markings outside the gate. The only exception to this is for our parents with a disability car badge.

Please keep an eye out for our future messages, both through newsletters, texts and our new website. We are looking at launching the site in the next week or two, and these newsletters and other information about each class and successes will be shared here.

I am working with the staff and governors to look at what further we can do to work together. The Parent Support Advisor and Surestart centre are all in regular contact, and looking at the joint offers they can make to support us, our families and signposting us to other services that are available. We are hoping to bring our personal skills and talents with us and encourage you, as families, to do the same. Do you have an interest in working with us? Looking ahead, we would like to create a family forum, and to work together to create a positive 'working together' team. Best wishes, stay safe and be seen.

Mrs Wheeler.

# A Message from our Chair of Governors

Dear Parents,

A Happy New Year to everyone!

I have been in regular contact with Mrs Wheeler this term, including visits to school and, on behalf of the Governing Body, would like to send her a warm welcome to St Peter and St Paul Carbrooke Church of England Primary Academy. She has worked extremely hard for our school since her appointment (including a significant amount of time last term) and we wish her every success in building the school's strengths and securing the best outcomes for every pupil. Taking up a new Headteacher post following a gap in leadership is a hard task; there is always more to deal with than would normally be expected. However, Mrs Wheeler has been extremely thorough in her assessment of the school's needs. The Governing Body will be working closely with her to ensure she is able to meet our shared aspirations.

### **News from Orange Class**

Year 1 have been looking at money, in particular the value of different coins. You could help your child by letting them look at the coins in your purse or pocket. You could challenge them to find different ways of making 10p with different coins. How many different ways can they find? You could do this with different amounts e.g. 9p, 5p, 7p etc. You could ask them how many 1p/2p sweets could they buy for 8p, 6p, 4p etc......No change given!

See over for some more news.
ATTENDANCE; 94,49% (TARGET 96,5%)

## **Hats and Gloves**

With the weather getting colder, and the children going out to play whatever the weather, you might want to send your child to school with a warm hat and gloves. This is especially relevant for the Year 1 children for Forest school.

### **Reading Reminder**

It is an expectation that all the children will read at home every night. Please make sure that you write in their reading record book and make sure that they bring it to school every day in their book-bag.

### **Welcome**

We would like to welcome Clara, who has joined our Year 4 class, to our school.



Half Term - Monday 15<sup>th</sup> February till Friday 19<sup>th</sup> February.

Back to School - Monday 22<sup>nd</sup> February.

Individual Photos - Friday 4th March.

# **Lambing Day**

at

School Farm, Scoulton
2pm till 4pm
Sunday 17<sup>th</sup> January 2016
Refreshments & Activities in the
Hall

Farm Entry Price £2 per person £5 per Family

In Aid of Scoulton & Woodrising Churches

Everyone at St Peter and St Paul, Carbrooke is committed to safeguarding the children of our school. Please find our safeguarding policy on the school website, or alternatively ask the school office for a copy.