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## Newsletter 21 25th January 2019

## Dear Parents/Carers,

It is hard to believe that it is February already next week! It has been extremely cold this week but we have tried to get outside as much as possible. The children have been very excited about the ice in the water trays and have enjoyed experimenting with how quickly they can get it to melt. We have made sure that we wrapped up warm whilst we have been outside. Thank you for ensuring that the children always have hats and gloves with them as it means they can continue to enjoy their outdoor learning, even in the cold temperatures.

We have introduced 3d shapes in Reception this week and the children have enjoyed using the lpads to take pictures of 3d shapes in the school grounds. They have also had a go at making their own 3d shapes in a variety of ways. Thank you for all of the cardboard boxes because the children managed to turn them into spaceships and towers, once they had described the shape.

The children in reception borrowed their first book from the school library this week. They enjoyed looking at all of the different Fiction and Non-Fiction books available and took great delight in sitting on the mini-beast sensory rugs to listen to a story. Thank you to Amy Jones for agreeing to help out on a Thursday afternoon so that the children can borrow books regularly. Some of the children in Nursery have also visited the library and will be able to borrow books shortly.



Staff and children in the Nursery have been busy this week developing their learning environment and the Fire Station in Bluebell Room has been a hive of activity. The children in Bluebell and Snowdrop continue to have hours of fun exploring the water play and experimenting with pouring and capacity. It was also lovely to see

children in Blossom Room playing in their Outdoor Learning Environment and exploring the different sounds they could hear and make out there.

Governing Body packs are now available for collection for anyone who is interested in becoming a Parent Governor. In order to be eligible you must be a parent of a child who attends either the School or the Nursery. The deadline for nominations is 3.15pm on 6<sup>th</sup> February. If we have more than one nomination then an election will be held.

Parents Evening appointments are now available for Monday II<sup>th</sup> and Wednesday I3<sup>th</sup> February from 4pm – 7pm. Please contact Mrs Murphy via email or in person to book your appointment.

Please see the menu below for next week:



I hope that you have a lovely weekend.

Yours sincerely,

Mrs Debbie Gayler