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7th January 2020

Dear Parents

I would like to wish you all a warm welcome back after the Christmas break and a Happy New Year. I hope that you have all had an enjoyable time during the last two weeks and look forward to hearing about the exciting things the children have been doing.

Firstly, we have some lovely news to share with you. On Christmas Eve, five weeks earlier than expected, Mrs Blackley had a little boy. Both are doing well.

We also welcome Mr Harrison into Class 3 as he takes over from Mr Bulmer and settles into his new role.

This term is our shortest term but we have lots of things going on, including some After School Clubs. Clubs start next Monday (13th) and will run for 5 weeks ending the week commencing Monday 10th February at a cost of £2 per session.

Monday 13th – Monday 10th February: After School Club - Lego

Wednesday 15th January – Wednesday 12th February: After School Clubs: Origami & Homework

Please complete the slip at the end of this letter to indicate which club(s) your child/ren would like to be considered for and return it to school by Friday morning (10th) at the latest so that spaces can be allocated. Do not send in any money until you have received confirmation of club places

Day:	Club:	Staff:	Who can attend:
Monday	Lego	Mrs Bryant	Years 3-6
Wednesday	Origami	Mrs Evans	Years 2-6 (places limited)
Wednesday	Homework	Mrs Harrison	Years 1-6

Below is a reminder of upcoming events, including some new events:

Wednesday 8th January – Residential Meeting 3.30pm – all parents of pupils participating in the trip are welcome to attend. We will have a short talk by staff from Hawse End and you will have an opportunity to ask any questions. Please note that the next instalment of £50 for this trip is due by the end of this month. You are welcome to make any overpayments if you wish to do so.

Wednesday 15th January – Deadline for **online** applications for September 2020 Reception places.

Friday 17th January – Class 3 Trip to Jarrow Hall (see separate letter).

Monday 20th January – Parents’ Evening 2-7pm – all parents are invited to come into school to discuss their child/ren’s progress with their teacher. Appointments can be booked online through our school website – details advising you how to do this will follow next week when the booking system opens. If you encounter any difficulties booking an appointment through the website Mrs Lawson, in the school office, will be happy to assist.

Monday 20th January – Deadline for **postal** applications for September 2020 Reception places.

Friday 31st January – PTA Beetle Drive & Bingo – 6pm at school.

Thursday 6th February – Eden Rock Competition – more details to follow.

Saturday 8th February – Sands Football Tournament – We have entered a team, however, Mr Harrison is unable to attend the event and would therefore be grateful for any volunteers of parents of Class 3 children participating in the event to manage the team on that date. Registration of teams will be from **08:45-09:00** and the tournament will run from **09:15-13:00**. In the event that the team is successful in reaching the final this would take place later in the afternoon.

Tuesday 11th February - Class 2 Assembly – 3pm – all parents and family members are welcome to attend.

Wednesday 12th February – Class 1 Assembly – 9.15am - all parents and family members are welcome to attend.

Wednesday 12th February – William Howard School Lacrosse Festival – 3.45pm – 5pm. This is open to year 3 & 4 pupils and has limited spaces. A separate letter will follow providing more information about the event.

Friday 14th February – School closes at 3.30pm for Spring Half-Term break

I look forward to seeing you all as the term progresses, however, if you have any concerns please do not hesitate to get in touch.

Yours sincerely

Lynn Harrison

Please complete the form with your child/ren's club choices and return to school by Friday 10th January at the latest for places to be allocated:

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Wednesday	Origami	Mrs Evans	
Wednesday	Homework	Mrs Harrison	