



4th February 2019

Dear Parents,

Happy New Year: 新年快乐 (xīn nián kuài lè). Tomorrow marks the start of Chinese New Year and for lunch our cook has prepared Spring rolls and Chicken Curry which I know will go down a treat. It is the year of the pig in Chinese tradition. Pigs have a beautiful personality and are blessed with good fortune in life. Let's hope then that we are all blessed with this for our year ahead.

School Uniform

Since the weather has been very cold we have noticed that a number of our children have been recently coming into school with incorrect footwear. We do realize that some shoes do not last as long as we would like but can I please ask that you provide your children with black shoes (not trainers) which are part of our school uniform. If you would like to speak to me personally about any issues that you may be experiencing with not having the appropriate footwear then please contact the school office and I'll be happy to arrange a meeting.

Snow Day

Thank you for being so understanding about last week's weather. Obviously we will always give as much information as is humanly possible should there be a risk of the school closing due to adverse weather conditions. The children had an amazing day making 'Snow Bears', Snow people and even an igloo! Let's now hope the weather improves and warmer days come soon!

Gymnastics

Some of our children have been chosen to represent school this week in a Gymnastics competition against a range of Primary Schools in Trafford. Good Luck to you all and remember to point those toes and make it over the vault!

World Book Day Thursday 7th March 2019

This year we have been focusing on words: their meaning, how powerful they help us visualise writing/reading and how they can be used to different effects. Therefore, we would like to create a lovely day for our children to experience WORDS in a dynamic and exciting way! We will be asking the **children to come to school dressed as any WORD** of their choosing. This might sound a bit strange but here are some ideas that will get the imagination started:

- Nocturnal ~ dress as a bat
- Playful ~ dress as a rugby player
- Mysterious ~ dress as a fortune teller
- Contagious ~ dress as though you're ill



...but please do not think you have to go and buy anything special! All we ask is that the word is placed on your child on a placard (you could make these out of any cardboard!). If there are any parents out there that want to join in the fun then please let your class teacher know! And if you really are stuck with ideas please ask and we will help!

Parent Evenings: Wednesday 27th March & Thursday 28th March.

This year, in order to organise the times that would suit all parents to see their child's teacher we will be using School Spider. A separate letter will come out shortly with details of how to access online through your email addresses. The system will enable you to book a slot convenient to yourself and it helps our teachers organise the evenings for you.

Maths Workshop

Unfortunately, due to the snow last week we had to cancel the workshop and therefore we will be re-scheduling to Wednesday 6th March 2019.

And finally . . .

School Term Dates:

Please find attached the dates for Holidays and **Term times 2019~2020**

Half-Term: School will close on **Friday 15th February 2019** and re-open on **Monday 25th February 2019**

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