



Friday 10<sup>th</sup> January 2020

## DATES TO REMEMBER

- 15.01.20 Years 3 & 5 Swimming
- 22.01.20 Years 3 & 5 Swimming
- 27.01.20 EYFS Book at Bedtime
- 29.01.20 Years 3 & 5 Swimming
- 01.02.20 Football Tournament Final (Sat)
- 05.02.20 Years 3 & 5 Swimming
- 12.02.20 Years 3 & 5 Swimming
- 14.02.20 End of Term. 3.15pm
- Half Term 17<sup>th</sup>-21<sup>st</sup> February**
- 24.02.20 School Reopens at 8.45am

Dear Parents and Carers,

**Welcome back!** How quickly the Christmas Holidays flew by. I do hope that everyone had a good break and some lovely family time together.

Many of you will already know about a tragic and deeply saddening bereavement that has occurred within our school family community over Christmas. I won't go into details within a newsletter, as that wouldn't be appropriate, but can I just ask you all to look after yourselves and each other in 2020. If you feel down or depressed please seek out someone to talk to. If you think someone else may be feeling low then ask how they are and then ask a second time – we often say something like 'yeah I'm fine...you?' when in actual fact the truth is far from it. Dig a bit deeper.

The school has staff that are trained to listen and help, if you want to talk, then please come in and speak to someone in school and we will do our best to help within the strictest confidence. If you do have negative thoughts or feel like you need to speak to someone, this link to NHS sites might also help point you in the right direction.  
<https://www.nhs.uk/conditions/stress-anxiety-depression/mental-health-helplines/>

We have had a great first week back, the children have slipped back into the usual routines. As usual please try to help your child with their homework and reading as often as possible – it really makes a difference.

Year 3 and 5 finally start their **swimming lessons** next week so they are very excited about that. Please support us by having the right kit in school on Wednesday and also with the costs as it is exceptionally good value for money and is a potential life saving skill!

If you have a child due to be starting school in September, please don't forget to fill out the online application form. You only have until midnight on Wednesday 15<sup>th</sup> January. **You still need to apply even if you already have another child in primary school.**

Have a great weekend. ☺

**Attendance Class Heroes.**  
 Here Everyday Ready On Time.

**5C – 98.62%**



## Starting primary school in September 2020?

If your child was born between **1st September 2015 and 31<sup>st</sup> August 2016** they will be due to start primary school in September 2020.

You must complete an application form either online at [www.dudley.gov.uk/admissions](http://www.dudley.gov.uk/admissions) or by completing an application form from your local authority by **15<sup>th</sup> January 2020**.