

### **Dear Parents and Carers**

Welcome back for the Spring Term. The children have settled back into school really well and are working hard. The Staff, Governors and I hope you had a wonderful Christmas and I would like to take this opportunity to send my thanks, and that of the Staff, for all the lovely cards, messages and gifts you gave us at the end of term. We all wish you a Happy New Year and send our best wishes for 2023.

### **Epiphany Blessing and Gospel Assembly**

Today we had our Epiphany Blessing Assembly for Years 1-6. Please ask the children for the meaning of 20+C+B+M+20. We asked God to bless us, our families and our school, as it is our 'home form home' for the coming year. We also had our Gospel Assembly this afternoon, which again focused on the Epiphany. We are often not in school for this day, so it has been lovely to celebrate together and to recall the arrival of the Three Wise Men at the stable in Bethlehem.

## **Applications for a Reception Class Places for September 2023**

Please make sure you have read the information below (scroll down) about the application process for admissions this year. The deadline is approaching: 15<sup>th</sup> January 2023.

## NSPCC Workshop – helping children to keep themselves safe

Year 5 and 6 took part in NSPCC workshops this week, understanding how important it is to speak to a trusted adult if they are ever worried about anything and how to contact Childline for support where necessary. The children really enjoyed participating and discussing different situations where children may need help to stay safe.



It was lovely to start the year with so many positives which we celebrated in our Celebration Assembly. Well done to all those certificate winners this week and to Thomas Moore House for winning the House Points Cup.

## **Reminder: Parents Information Session on Knowledge Organisers**

These meetings are to explain 'Knowledge Organisers' and how we use them in school and how they can help at home with learning. There are two sessions for parents to choose from: 9:15am or 5pm on this coming Monday 9th January. We hope as many of you as possible will be able to attend.

Mindworks: Children's Wellbeing Workshops: Please scroll down to see information on these.

Once again, we wish you all the very best for the New Year. Mrs Wheeler and Staff



# **Lunch Money**

The amounts due for the Spring term are as follows: Weekly - £13.00 First half term - £72.80 Second half term - £78.00

Calendar Dates	
9 <sup>th</sup> January	Knowledge Organisers Meeting for Parents. 9.15am & 5pm
8 <sup>th</sup> February	Talent Show TBC
Friday 10 <sup>th</sup> February	Inset Day - School and Treetops are Closed
13 <sup>th</sup> - 17 <sup>th</sup> February	Half Term Break
20 <sup>th</sup> February	School reopens @ 9am
3 <sup>rd</sup> March	World Book Day
13 <sup>th</sup> March	Science Week
15 <sup>th</sup> March	Science Workshop Whole School
28 <sup>th</sup> March	Parents Evening TBC
29 <sup>th</sup> March	Parents Evening TBC
31 <sup>st</sup> March	School Finishes @ 1pm for the Easter Break – Note on this day Treetops will open for the morning session only. It will be closed for the afternoon.

