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Dear Parents

Welcome back to another New Year! We do hope you enjoyed a relaxing and peaceful Christmas break! We have a busy and exciting term ahead of us and look forward to seeing you in school as the term progresses. Many thanks for your generosity in the run-up to Christmas. We raised £45.65 for Save the Children on Christmas Jumper day, and also sent your Christingle donations to the Children's Society. We appreciate your kindness at a time when household finances are always stretched.

P.E. kits

The usual termly reminder about P.E.kits! These should be in school every day of the week. At this time of year children not only need a T-shirt and shorts, but also a tracksuit/jogging bottoms so that they can be warm enough if they go outside. This will only happen in reasonable weather and when the playground is sufficiently dry. They **MUST** have trainers to enjoy sport safely. Thank you for your support. If you have difficulty providing a P.E. kit, please let us know. We want to help if we can!

Universal free school meals

We want to remind you that every child at the infant school is entitled to a free school lunch – either a hot meal, jacket potato with filling or a 'pick and mix' packed lunch which they choose themselves. On census day yesterday, when we have to record the number of pupils having a school lunch, to determine future school funding, we were surprised at how many children brought a packed lunch from home. We appreciate that you have the option to provide your own school packed lunch, but want to ensure you realise that your child is entitled to a free one!

Pupil Premium

Pupils whose families receive certain benefits are entitled to the 'pupil premium'. This is £1320 per child for our school and helps us provide additional adult support/resources across the school. If your child is eligible, please apply online on Norfolk County Council website by searching for Free School Meals, or collect a form from the school office as soon as possible. In the junior school the pupil premium also means your child continues to have a free school lunch. You child may be eligible if you are in receipt of any of the following benefits:

- Income support
- Income-based job-seekers allowance
- Support from National Asylum Support Service
- Guarantee element of state pension credit
- Child tax credit(with no working tax credit) with an annual income of less than £16190
- Working tax credit run-on after work ends
- Universal credit

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Diary dates so far

7.2.20 – NSPCC Number Day – details to follow

11.2.20 – National Internet Safety Day

14.2.20 – School closes for half term

24.2.20 – School re-opens

5.3.20 – Parents’ Evening – details to follow

10.3.20 – Parents’ Evening – details to follow

1.4.20 – Easter Bonnet Parade/Easter Egg Hunt – details to follow

1.4.20 – School closes for Easter holiday

20.4.20 – School re-opens for summer term

Yours sincerely

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Headteacher