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Dear Parents and Carers,

Happy New Year!

Welcome back to the start of a new term at school; we hope you all have had a good Christmas holiday. On that last day of term we held our first ever Pantomime and below is a suitably blurry photograph as evidence (and to protect the identity of the actors). It was a lot of fun and everyone agreed it was our best ever panto – oh yes it was!



At the start of the new year we are going to be focussing on Wellbeing and we will be exploring how the **5 Ways to Wellbeing** can help both children and adults in the school.



TALK & LISTEN,
BE THERE,
FEEL CONNECTED



DO WHAT YOU CAN,
ENJOY WHAT YOU DO,
MOVE YOUR MOOD



REMEMBER
THE SIMPLE
THINGS THAT
GIVE YOU JOY



EMBRACE NEW
EXPERIENCES,
SEE OPPORTUNITIES,
SURPRISE YOURSELF



Your time,
your words,
your presence

Find out more here: bit.ly/1tqv39B

Strictly Come Street Dancing



Yesterday we had the chance to **Be very Active** with a brilliant Street Dance Workshop led by Sam Ludwell. For our staff this was a chance to become the pupils again and to experience the challenge of learning. (For some of us it was quite a challenge).

We have shared a video of our *best* dancing with the children in assembly today (if there is enough interest we may be persuaded to put the video on the school website too).

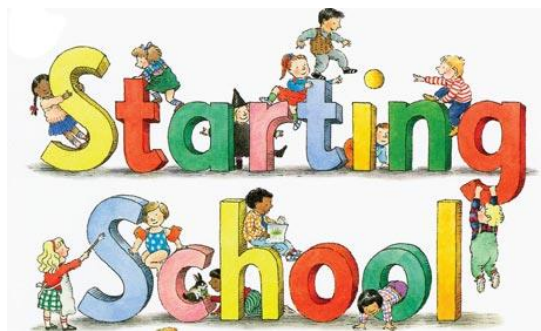
Keeping Contact Details Up-to-Date

If your contact details change, because you move house/flat, or you change your phone number, please remember to let the office know. Recently, we have had difficulty contacting a number of parents and this could be problematic in the event of an emergency.



Applying for Schools

If you have a child who was born between 1st September 2011 and 31st August 2012 he/she is able to start school in September 2016. If you would like a place in one of our

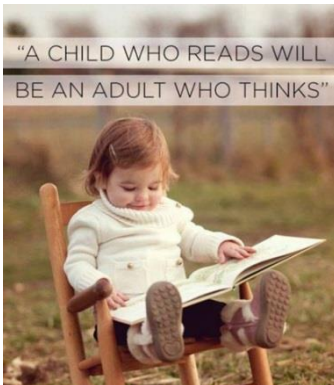


Outstanding Reception classes then you need to apply by January 15th 2016. The application process is online through the BANES website. **This next year we are expecting both Reception classes to be full, so please don't miss out on a place in school by missing the deadline.**

Similarly, if you have a child in Year 2 you need to apply for a Year 3 place in a school for September 2016. The deadline for applying for a place in KS2 is also January 15th 2016.

The application process is online via: **ow.ly/VTA3m**

Can you spare 1 hour a week to listen to children read in school?



We are keen to recruit a team of parents (and grandparents) to listen to children reading, in the classrooms, between 2.00pm and 3.00pm on one afternoon each week. We will be providing some simple training and we can offer a range of biscuits (occasionally jammy-dodgers) to keep the energy levels up.

If you think you might be interested, please mention it to your child's teacher or to Mr Samios. On **Tuesday 12th January at 2.00pm** there will be a Workshop for Reading Volunteers (change of date). Mr Samios and Mrs Kinnear will run an introductory workshop for volunteers who are going to listen to children read. This will start at 2.00pm and run until 2.50pm, finishing in time for you to pick up your children from school.

Dates for your Diary

Friday 8th January – 2.15pm **Attendance Celebration for Term 2**

Tuesday 12th January – 2.00pm **Workshop for Reading Volunteers.**

Friday 29th January – **Chestnut Class Assembly**

Friday 12th February – **Maple Class Assembly**

Friday 12th February – **End of Term 3**

Please Keep in Touch

If your child is unwell and is not able to attend school, you can send the school a text message to let us know and to explain the reason for their absence.



The number to text the school is: **07860 030358**

Office telephone number: **01225 423526**

Please remember that it is your responsibility to contact the school when your child is not able to attend school.

