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Dear Parents,

Welcome back to Spring Term 1 and a brand new year. We hope that you have all had a good break and that, like us, you are ready to take on the challenges and new opportunities of 2019.

As always we have been busy preparing and planning for the terms ahead. We continue to look for experiences and activities that support all children to develop their learning, behaviour, knowledge of the world and in being ready for life after school. Teachers will share as much information as possible through the class newsletter (this is accessible through the website and notice areas) please check through the content and if you have any questions please speak to the class teacher. There are often times when we are offered opportunities to participate in events once the term has started - we will inform parents and children of these as soon as we possibly can.

Mrs Cadman, coordinates our PE curriculum and organises events such as Sports' Week, Inter-school competitions and training for staff. Mrs Cadman has successfully led PE to Gold Status for two years running and we are aiming for this to be the third year that we achieve this award. Mrs Cadman and Mrs Gibb have been looking at how we can help all children achieve the government targets for swimming. Our new plan is for all Year 5 children to have access to swimming lessons for three terms over the year. There will be an opportunity for some 'catch up' swimming in Year 6 for children who did not achieve the targets. The Government goal is for all children to be able to swim and to learn life saving swimming skills to help them keep safe in and around water. We are lucky to have a swimming pool in Corby that provides lessons for all ages and levels of swimming. If you take children to swimming lessons and if they have achieved certificates please do share with your class teacher.

Mrs Mockford coordinates and manages Careers and Employability opportunities and we are looking forward to events being planned to support Business Week - please look out for more information. Throughout the year we have planned activities and events that are part of our curriculum and are repeated each year. Please look at our curriculum map on our website to see the information on events planned for Careers and Employability.

Looking back on 2018 we had an amazing year - 'Good' from OFSTED, 'Gold' for our PE and Sports, 'Gold' for Careers and Employability and we are working hard towards our Outdoor Learning and Arts Awards and Mark. Our outcome test results for last year placed us fourth out of all the schools and academies in the Corby area.

Well done to all of our children who all tried their best. Thank you to all those parents and carers who support, push, cajole and provide children with the ambition and determination to want to do the best that they can.

Mrs Inga Bain (Principal)

**Integrity Manners Pride Respect Encourage Succeed Spirit**

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## Dates for the Diary

We will be sharing dates in the diary on our website in 'calendar' and also on What's On? We share lots of events and information on our Twitter page. Please follow us.

### **Diary Dates:**

Golden Eagles (Y5) and Tigers (Y6) Samba Drum Lessons Start 10th January and then every Thursday

Golden Eagles (Y5) - Swimming starts 9th January and then every Wednesday

Cheetahs (Y3) - Forest School starts 10th January and then every Thursday afternoon

January 27th Holocaust Memorial Day

January 28th National Story Telling Week

February 1st Number Day (NSPCC)

February 4th Golden Eagles Egyptian Workshop

February 5th Chinese New Year

February 12th Safer Internet Day

February 13th Class Photographs

February 13th Golden Eagles Dentistry Workshop Careers and Employability

February 14th Valentine's Day

**February 15th End of Term - Academy Closes**

**Class Assemblies, Fridays at 9.00 a.m.**, parents will be invited to attend their child's class assembly. Other parents will be invited if their child is receiving an award. Please bring invite along to Reception to comply with health and safety practice.

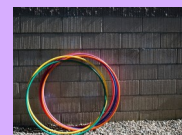
18<sup>th</sup> January            Y2            25<sup>th</sup> January            Y4

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15<sup>th</sup> February            End of Term Assembly whole school/Award



**Sports Crew** - Lunchtimes - we are always looking for equipment and resources for children to use to help to keep them fit and active. Donations of any of these would be very much appreciated. The Sports Crew will use these and other equipment to help our goal of increasing physical activity during the academy day.



## **Academy Council**

The autumn term was a very busy time for the Academy Council. We have been responsible for organising fund raising for, not only The Royal British Legion Poppy Appeal, but Children in Need with our Spotacular event and Save the Children with our Christmas Jumper day. We must thank you all for your help in supporting these Nationwide charities.

Our greatest success this term though, was the amazing discos we organised. The £258.49 profit from these events is staying within school and will go towards the purchase of some larger sports equipment. This is a long term fundraising project, which we will be adding to throughout the year. We would like to thank Martin Brown for the donation of his time and effort in providing us with some super music and games.

Keep your eyes open for our next fundraising event.