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Attendance

Target Met Term 3								
GROUP	EYFS	YEAR 1	YEAR 2	YEAR 3	YEAR 4	YEAR 5	YEAR 6	SCHOOL
2015 – 2016	94.59%	94.47%	95.20%	96.21%	97.39%	97.63%	97.24%	96.56%
2016 – 2017	97.14%	96.73%	98.57%	99.81%	97.64%	94.67%	98.89%	97.37%
2017 – 2018 SO FAR	87.15%	97.07%	97.64%	93.06%	97.22%	94.29%	96.13%	95.54%
Week 1	87.50%	100.0%	96.67%	100.0%	90.48%	100.0%	92.86%	95.69%
Week 2	89.74%	100.0%	89.00%	100.0%	88.57%	78.89%	80.00%	87.91%
Week 3	100.0%	96.00%	96.00%	80.00%	82.86%	93.33%	86.43%	90.86%

THE ATTENDANCE TARGET IS 97.5%

ILLNESS

You can see that the children in some year groups are getting better and others are now starting to feel unwell as younger siblings are affected. We have also had our share of staff illness over the week which gave me the opportunity to teach for a week. Thank you to everyone for being so supportive.

P.E.KITS

Please make sure that children have P.E. kits in school. All children have to take part in two hours of physical education every week as part of the national curriculum, so sitting out and watching is not an option.

COMING SOON . . .

A legacy of the 2012 London Olympics is that all schools are given funding which has to be spent on improving sports provision. We provide quality sports coaching, after school clubs, enrichment days and up until now we have only been able to take part in a very limited number of tournaments. We are working with other schools in South Holland to improve this. Following a recommendation from another school in the area, we are trying out a company that offers enrichment days training the children in a particular sport and follows this up with an inter school tournament. We have made sure that small schools are going to be grouped together so that they are not competing against schools with larger numbers of children. We have an enrichment day planned in school time for next **Monday 29 January** – for children in Mrs Sandalls' and Miss Williams' classes. We are still waiting for confirmation of the date for the tournament but the company provide transport to the venue as a part of the cost which will be met from Sports Funding.

There are strict criteria which have to be met in order to spend the Sports Funding and one of them is that equipment can be purchased which makes children more active. We have been saving up and have recently ordered some equipment for the school field that we hope will be fitted by the end of the week. This has been carefully chosen to provide physical activities that the school has previously been unable to provide on our site. School staff are very excited and we expect that the children will really enjoy using the outdoor equipment. Make sure that you look over the playground wall so that you don't miss it being installed at the end of the week. We need to thank Mrs Ecob who found the company who could provide the equipment and safety features at a price that we could afford.

PARENT HUB

The majority of parents have now downloaded the App and are receiving communications. Mrs Ecob will be keeping the website up to date with information on a weekly basis and newsletters will continue to make families aware of events.

TOYS

We have received some donations of toys for our coffee mornings – even when they are in the afternoon – so thank you to everyone who took the trouble to do so. It is very much appreciated.