Welcome back! We hope you all had a great Christmas.

The children have all settled in very well this term and are working really hard. To encourage independence we would like to ask you to now say goodbye to your child at the door to enable your child to put all their things away on their own. If you feel your child still needs you to come into the classroom can you please say goodbye to your child in the cloakroom and encourage them to walk into the classroom on their own. Thank you for your support.

The weather is still very cold and the children are all hoping we get some snow. Please inform the office of any changes to contact details including mobile phone numbers. Any school closures will be notified via a text message and will also be posted onto the school website, via the school twitter account and also the local radio station – ‘Radio Leicester’. So if in doubt check one of those.

Please remember that we will put onto the school website any letter correspondence from us to you, and we’ll do this as soon as possible following the letter being issued. You will be able to locate these in the tab ‘Letters’ on the school website www.fairfieldcpschool.co.uk. Further copies of the letters will also be available from the school office.

The FS pupils have had a brilliant autumn term. They thoroughly enjoyed our autumn theme which included completing work on the stories ‘We’re going on a bear hunt’ and ‘Percy the Park Keeper’. The children especially enjoyed going into the bear’s cave and writing warning posters. The children also enjoyed our celebration theme. During the theme they learnt about Diwali and really enjoyed making diva lamps and rangoli patterns. During the theme they also learnt all about Christmas and enjoyed a range of activities such as writing their Christmas list. They especially enjoyed meeting Father Christmas during the Christmas party.

Notice

Every pupil in the FS will get the opportunity to take Bill Bear home and draw, write or take photos of his adventures. All the work will be kept in a folder, which will be kept in Bill Bears book bag. The pupils are very excited about it. Please look after him and we look forward to hearing all about his adventures.

All the pupils are really enjoying our current theme (Winter), they especially love going into our Igloo. As part of the theme, we also will be completing work based on the film Frozen. We would really like to show the film to all pupils at the beginning of the week to stimulate
their imagination and hopefully enable them to complete some great pieces of work. Frozen is a PG film, therefore we would like you to remind you to please complete the permission form that was provided last week, if you are happy for us to show the film to your child. We have attached an extra permission slip for anyone we haven’t heard from yet. We need all reply slips back by Monday 16th January. Thank you for your support.

**Reminders**

- Listen to your child read their book every day. Please can you write a comment in your child’s reading diary **at least once a week**.
- Ensure their reading book, reading diary and green phonic practise book is always kept in their book bag.
- Remind pupils that they can change their share books, whenever they are ready for a new book.
- Pupils will be given homework on a Friday to complete for the following Wednesday. Please remind pupils that they need to place their homework into the homework box.
- Please continue to share your pupil’s achievements on the leaves for our Achievement Tree. Thank you for all the leaves handed in so far, it has been fantastic to hear about all their successes at home.
- I will be continuing to send you parent voice sheets on a regular basis. It is so valuable to hear what your child can do at home. Please can you hand them in by the deadline provided.
- Please help your child to become more independent by getting them to practise fastening their coat all on their own.
- Please provide your child with a hat and gloves during the cold weather to enable outdoor learning.
- If your child has shoes with shoe laces, please can you ensure you teach your child how to do up their shoe laces as children are expected to put their shoes on independently after PE.
- **Please can you ensure your children do not play on the climbing frame, role play or trays in the FS playground before or after school.** Thank you for your support.

**Some dates for your diary**

- 26th January – Maths Day
- 6th February - Parent’s Evening (5.00 – 8.30 pm)
- 8th February - Parent’s Evening (3.30 – 6.30 pm)
- 9th February – Parent’s evening for FS only (3.30-4.10 pm) & Parent E-Safety Meeting 3.30 pm
- 28th February - Shrove Tuesday
- 1st March - St David’s Day (Wales) & Ash Wednesday.
- 2nd March - World Book Day
- 16th March - Class photographs in the morning
17\textsuperscript{th} March - St Patrick’s Day (Ireland)
March 2017 - Red Nose Day & Sports Relief
21\textsuperscript{st} March - Maths Parent morning – TBC
5\textsuperscript{th} April - School Disco’s – Infant 6.00p.m – 7.00p.m
7\textsuperscript{th} April - Final day/attendance assembly

**Term Dates:**

**Monday 13\textsuperscript{th} – Friday 17\textsuperscript{th} February**  
Half Term

**Monday 20\textsuperscript{th} February** – Children back in school

**Monday 10\textsuperscript{th} April – Friday 21\textsuperscript{st} April**  
Easter Holidays

**Monday 24\textsuperscript{th} April** – Children back in school

We are looking forward to another fun term and plenty of excellent progress!  
Thank you for your ongoing support!

Mrs Harrison (Assistant Head)