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Week 1 Menus

Dear Parents and Carers,

Happy New Year! I hope you had a good Christmas break. From the excited stories that we have heard, the children enjoyed the special times with their families and friends.

During Collective Worship on Thursday the children were encouraged to think about their New Year resolutions and how they could set themselves achievable goals. We explored how our TERRIFIC values could help us to think of a promise we could make e.g. trying to be kinder to others or learning how to forgive. Our focus for this half term is Endurance.

We also talked about Epiphany, the Christian festival which celebrates the day when the Wise Men visited the baby Jesus after he was born.

Term Dates

Please be aware of the difference in term dates between Sheering School and Leventhorpe especially if you are booking holidays. Our attendance figures have dropped significantly this year from parents taking children out of school to suit Leventhorpe holidays where their siblings are at school. Can I remind you how important it is for your children to attend school regularly and if their attendance falls below 95% (Essex target) you may be contacted by the Education Welfare Officer. We would also appreciate your honesty in letting us know when you are taking your child(ren) out of school. Please check our website for term dates and Inset days.

School Clubs

After school clubs will not start until the week beginning 14th January; the letters will go out next week for the Spring term clubs. There will be a change to the provision that we offer due to the continuing late collection of the children after the clubs. If your child is not collected on time, they will not be allowed to attend the club the following week. There have been times when teaching staff have been late or have missed vital appointments due to waiting for parents/carers to collect their children and this impacts on their well-being. Please place greater consideration in collecting your children on time especially as we give our time to run the clubs.

Achievement from Home and School

Home: Vinnie has achieved his red belt in karate and very confidently performed the 7 stances which he needed to learn.

School: The following children have all achieved their **Bronze Athletics** award: Lucy, Maddy, Kenny, Sophie, Abigail, Archie, Danielle, Kristian, Lenny, Ruby R, Ruby T, Evie, Mitchell, Joshua, Cameron and Josie. Congratulations Ruby R, Josie and Archie for achieving their **Silver Athletics** award. It was good to see so many children working hard on **Spellzone** this week; well done Mitchell, Ruby T, Madison, Ruby R, Katie, Abigail and Jessica B.

Well done children. You are all TERRIFIC!

Happy Book

In the Happy Book this week; Mrs Shoults thanked Quickbury class for such a lovely start to the term and Mrs Creed wanted to say 'well done' to Freddie for working so hard on his spellings.

Roll of Honour

Our Learning Heroes this week: Children who have remembered to say 'thank you'.

Copeland: Jude is always grateful for things and remembers to say thank you.

Durrington: Vinnie always remembers to say 'please' and 'thank you' to adults and to his friends.

Fitzwalter: Alfie was the first one to remember to say 'thank you' when the door was held open for the class.

Quickbury: Freddie thanked Mrs Shoults when she gave him a thank you card!

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Diary Dates

Friday 15th February: End of half term

Monday 18th-Friday 22nd February: Half term holiday

Friday 5th April: End of term

Tuesday 23rd April: Summer term begins

Monday May 13th: Year 6 SATS week

Friday 24th May: Inset day

Monday 27th May-Friday 31st May: Half term holiday

Wednesday 12th June-Friday 14th June: Kingswood

Thursday June 20th: Class photos

Have a good weekend,

Mrs Lorna Brittain