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Dear Parents/Carers,

Welcome Back!

I hope you all had a restful break. The children have all been eager to tell the staff about what a fantastic Christmas they

Dairy Dates

The revised term dates are also attached. Please remember to check this as it includes new dates for your diary.

MPG

We are incredibly proud to announce that last term's fundraising efforts raised £4,000! The next event is the junior's Valentine Disco after school on Tuesday 12 February. More information will follow shortly. I have been asked to invite you all to the first MPG meeting of 2019. It is being held on Wednesday 30 January at 7.30pm in school; you are all most welcome to attend.

MPG have joined AmazonSmile which is a simple and automatic way for you to support the school every time you shop, at no cost to you. To shop at AmazonSmile simply go to smile.amazon.com. You may also want to add a bookmark to smile.amazon.com to make it even easier to return.

On your first visit you will need to select Mosborough Primary Group as your charitable organisation before you begin shopping. It will remember your selection, and then every eligible purchase you make will result in a donation. Just remember to shop via AmazonSmile rather than the regular Amazon site!

Term Time Holidays

In line with the latest City Council guidance, should you request leave of absence for your child during the school term, the leave will continue to be unauthorised but you will no longer receive a letter to confirm this.

As a school, we do not authorise holidays. Should there be an exceptional circumstance surrounding pupil's absence from school, then in this instance, a letter will be sent to say that this leave is authorised. The policy regarding term time leave has not changed and is available from either the school website or school office. Term Time Leave forms must still be completed if you are taking your child out of school during term time.



Attendance

Our attendance currently stands at 96.1%, this falls short of our target of 97%. Whilst we appreciate that there are lots of weird and wonderful bugs doing the rounds, it is important if your child is fit and healthy that they come to school.

Sports Clubs this Term

This term, Y5/6 boys' Football club will be continuing on a **Monday** evening.
Basketball club for Year 3's will be starting next **Tuesday** (please see separate letter)

Wednesday lunch time is KS2 Running Club

Y2 Ball skills club with Mr Rockett will be continuing on a **Thursday** evening.

Thursday lunchtime is Y5/6 Girls' Football.

If your child is attending KS2 running club on a Wednesday lunchtime, please ensure that they have a change of clothes to run in and a change of footwear (school shoes that are trainers are not appropriate, as the school field can be very muddy!).

If your child is unable to attend a club, please contact the office.

Gillian Timms

It is with considerable sadness that I have to inform you that Gillian's husband passed away just before the school broke up for Christmas. Howard had been fighting a long battle with cancer. The funeral took place on Monday afternoon. Several members of the school staff attended to show our support for Gillian. I am certain you will appreciate that we do not as yet, know when she will be returning to school. If I could request that you keep both her and her family in your thoughts and prayers at this difficult time.

Upcoming dates for your diary

- 21 January – Science Week commences
- 22 January – Y5 Virtual Veledrome in school all day
- 24 January – Y4 Key Steps Gymnastics Group competition at Westfield
- 25 January – Y3 Sleepover – 'Night at the Museum'
- 29 January – Y6 residential parent's meeting (3.20pm)
- 1 February – Y4,5,6 Gymnastics competition at Pond's Forge

Yours

Martin Fallon