

Dear Parents/Carers,

Monday 31<sup>st</sup> October 2016

Welcome back to the start of the new half term.

**Dates for Your Diary:**

**Friday 4<sup>th</sup> November** – Parents and Carers are invited to celebrate Bonfire Night in Nursery from 11:10am. We will be enjoying hot dogs, cheese pasties, marshmallows and chocolate.

**Week commencing 7<sup>th</sup> November** – Careers week across the Academy.

**Monday 14<sup>th</sup> November** – Anti-bullying week.

**Friday 18<sup>th</sup> November** – Children in Need Day. This will be a non-uniform day. The theme will be ‘Get Your Ears On and Wear Your own Clothes’.

**Week commencing 21<sup>st</sup> November** – Scholastic Book Fair.

**Monday 5<sup>th</sup> December** – Nursery closed for home visits.

**Wednesday 7<sup>th</sup> December** – Christmas Fair. On this day children are invited to come to school in a Christmas jumper or in a red/gold/green/Christmas colours jumper.

**Wednesday 14<sup>th</sup> December** – Nursery Christmas INSPIRE morning. We invite all parents and carers to come and join our Christmas INSPIRE morning. We will begin by visiting Owl Lane Garden Centre as soon as registration is complete. The visit will then hopefully inspire us to make different Christmas resources when we return to nursery.

**Thursday 15<sup>th</sup> December** – Christmas Party. Children are invited to come to nursery in their party clothes to join our Christmas party.

**We break up on Friday 16<sup>th</sup> December and return to school on Tuesday 3<sup>rd</sup> January.**

**Shoe Box Appeal**

Just a reminder that your shoe boxes have to be handed in by Monday 7<sup>th</sup> November. If you have any questions you can speak to Mrs Underhill or Mrs Pyrah. Thank you for your support.

### **Nursery Topic**

Over the next half term we will be learning about different transport and how we get from place to place. Some of the questions we will be asking include:

'How do I get to school?'

'How can Little Red Riding Hood get to Grandma's house safely?'

'What transport would I use if I wanted to go to....?'

We welcome any photographs of children travelling using different transport to support our discussions. Can you encourage children to think about the different transport they use and develop their mark making through play. For example writing bus/train tickets or receipts for petrol.

### **Careers Week**

Next week will be careers week for all classes. Please see this message from Mrs Dearnley, who has planned a very exciting week.

*For careers week we have a large number of visitors coming into school to visit each class.*

*Every class will be having a visit from a dental team and pets at home. Nursery will have a plumber, Reception and Year 1 will have an ex-Police Officer, Year 2 will be visited by a Veterinary Nurse, Year 3 are heading out to Pizza Express in Wakefield to make their own pizzas, Year 4 and 5 have a physiotherapist and Year 6 have a barrister, secondary school teachers and an engineer, plus many more. Each class will have at least 8 visitors.*

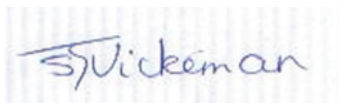
### **Mrs Roebuck**

We are saying goodbye to Mrs Roebuck at the end of this year. Mrs Roebuck will be retiring after working at the school for over 21 years. We know that many of you and your children will never forget Mrs Roebuck and the very good start she helped children make at the start of their school life. We will all miss her.

Miss Gothard will take over from Mrs Roebuck in leading the FEET programme and we will recruit a new member of staff to join the Nursery Team.

**Please remember that you will be able to see photographs of all the events and visits on our twitter page by following this link <https://twitter.com/GCAgawthorpe> or searching GCAgawthorpe on twitter. Please follow us as well to see any future updates.**

Yours sincerely,



Mrs S J Vickerman

Executive Principal