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Some sad news to start this week. One of our chickens – Kylie – has been unwell for some time and we thought she was on the mend. Sadly, Emma found her on Sunday. We have talked to the children about this and Emma and Sharon made sure she was buried. A big thank you to Emma who does such a great job in looking after the chickens, rain or shine and 7 days a week.



Lost Property & Happy School Bag Company

We are once again collecting clothes for the Happy School Bag company again this term. Any unwanted shoes, clothes, jackets etc. would be gratefully received. Please leave them at the office. Any funds raised goes back into our budget with a focus on children's enrichment.

Security

A plea to be vigilant with the entrance to the building, particularly by the entry way to the Tadpoles. Please check that the gate has closed behind you.

PARENT GOVERNOR ELECTIONS

The Governing Board of the school has two vacancies for Parent Governor. All parents are welcome to stand and there is an informal meeting on Monday 15th January at 3pm if you would like to find out more. We would be especially interested to hear from any parent who has a finance or accounting background, even if it's not in a school setting (full training is available). If you're unable to come to the meeting but are interested, please get in touch with Irene (School Business Manager) or Robin. Nomination forms are due in by 4pm on 19th January. Please do consider standing - it is a rewarding experience and vital to the success of the school.

Book Fair

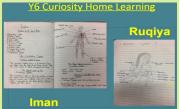
A reminder that during the week beginning 22nd January there will be a half price book fair in the playground at the end of each day.

Curiosity Week

This has been a wonderful way to start the term and there has been some incredible learning from the classrooms. Teachers have been really enthusiastic and this has made sure the children have been motivated and interested to learn new things. A selection of Curiosity week learning will be on our website in due







Class Assemblies



Next term each class will be have an assembly which will be performed to you as parents and carers and to an audience of children. The assemblies

will be linked to their class learning. The assemblies will be weekly throughout the Spring Term, beginning with Butterflies on Thursday 18th Jan at 2:45 followed by:

2:45	Dragonflies
9:30	Beetles
9:30	Grasshoppers
2:45	Squirrels
2:45	Bats
2:45	Foxes
2:45	Hedgehogs
2:45	Woodpeckers
9:30	Blackbirds
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Chickens

Happy New Year from the garden. We hope you had a restful break. Ours was fabulous. Santa came to collect us so we could help him deliver presents as he was an elf down. We found out lots of things about Santa



during our time with him and he's happy for us to share.

Firstly his sleigh is made from fibreglass that's painted to look like wood so the sleigh is really light. It goes from zero to one thousand miles per hour in thirty seconds and you have to wear goggles to stop your eyes watering. You also have to be strapped in at all times. It's got temperature control as one minute your over Australia and the next England so you get hot then cold in a matter of minutes. Rudolph's nose really is super bright and we would have been lost without it we can tell you. On Christmas eve don't think it's a planes light flashing....odds are it's Rudolph nose! As for Santa he is lovely, a real jolly chap just like in the movies! His suit is expandable so stretches to accommodate all the mince pies and treats that are left out for him. He really does eat them all, but because of this he doesn't eat for a week before Christmas Eve and goes to the gym every day for too.

Getting the presents to you really is magic.

They are sprinkled with elf dust to shrink them to go down the chimney and then sprinkled with fairy dust once they are in the house to get them back to normal size.

Santa's elves spend all year wrapping and will start again on boxing day to be ready for next year.

We had the most amazing time helping Santa, we went down so many chimneys. At one point Madonna laid an egg in someone's fire place cos of all the eggcitement.

All too soon night turned to day. Santa dropped us back at the coop ready for Christmas breakfast . We were sad it ended!

What a night, we hope you had a lovely day and ,if when you opened your stockings or presents and found a feather maybe we visited you while you were sleeping and gave you just a little bit of extra Christmas magic.

Attendance & Punctuality

Welcome back everyone! Some classes have had great attendance—well done! Let's aim to improve next week! EYFS = 86.88 let's aim to get over 90% next week!

Ks1-Ks2 = 95.06% Can we get over 96% next week?





Key	Dates
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Mon 15th Jan Science Week

Tues 16th lan Y6 to British Film Institute

Weds 17th Jan Y5 to Crick Thurs 18th Jan Y5 to Crick

2:45 Butterfly Class Assembly

Fri 19th Jan 2:45 Dragonfly Class Assembly

Mon 22nd Jan Book Fair all week

9am Y6 SATS Parents Meeting

Bats to Royal Inst of Architecture

Squirrels to Royal Inst of Architecture Thurs 25th Jan

9:30 Beetles Class Assembly

Mon 29th Jan Walk to School Week

Thurs Ist Feb 9:30 Grasshoppers Class Assembly

Mon 5th Feb **RE Day**

Thurs 8th Feb Y5 & Y6 Coffee Morning

2:45 Squirrels Class Assembly

Fri 9th Feb End of Spring First Half

> Mon 12 – 16th Feb **Half Term**

Mon 19th Feb First Day of Spring Second Half Term

Tues 20th Feb YI & Y2 Coffee Morning Thurs 22nd Feb Y3 & Y4 Coffee Morning 2:45 Bats Class Assembly

Fri 23rd Feb **EYFS Coffee Morning**

Weds 28th Feb **Spring Consultations –**

EYFS Closed All Day

KSI & KS2 School Closes Early at 1:00pm

Thurs Ist Mar World Book Day

2:45 Foxes Class Assembly

Mon 12th Mar Choir Performance at Royal Albert Hall

Music Festival

Thurs 15th Mar 2:45 Hedgehogs Class Assembly

Mon 19th Mar **RE Day**

Thurs 29th Mar

Tues 20th Mar School Photographs

Thurs 22nd Mar 2:45 Woodpeckers Class Assembly

9:30 Blackbirds Class Assembly

End of Spring Term 1:30 Finish