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Dear Parents,

Happy New Year! Welcome back to the Spring Term at school, we hope you all had a great Christmas and are feeling refreshed!

We welcome Mrs Raynor to her new role in Class 1 and Miss White in Class 2 - I know they are really enjoying working with the children and getting to know you all. We have also welcomed Mrs Holdsworth and Mrs Wallis to the school – they are both teaching assistants from Farway who are helping us out on a temporary basis whilst we recruit for a replacement for Mrs Trevallion.

The teachers have some lovely things planned linked to the new topics and the children are already showing lots of enthusiasm for their learning. In Class 1 this term the children are looking at Families and Neighbours and in Class 2 the children will be looking at Exploration. Topic web sheets will be sent home next week for each of these areas. Please contact the class teachers if you feel you can help in any way with the ideas they have planned.

Our Collective Worship theme this term is Generosity. We will be including some ideas in some of the newsletters for how you can consider this value at home. Sometimes this will be in the form of ideas for discussion and sometimes fun activities such as word searches. I hope you find them thought provoking and fun.

Every Thursday afternoon all the children will be using the village hall for PE, all class two children will need to have a complete change of clothes for these lessons, could parents please make sure their child has the appropriate PE kit, please see the PE kit below:

Yellow logo t-shirt (available from school), plain white socks, plain black or navy shorts/jogging bottoms, plain navy tracksuit top & black plimsolls or trainers.

The children in class one will just need suitable footwear to change into (Plimsolls or trainers).

An application form for free school meals is being sent out with this newsletter. If there are any families who may be eligible for free school meals, but haven't got round to applying yet – *please apply as soon as possible*, even if you don't want your child to have the meal. **If your child is in Class 1 and gets the universal free school meals please still fill in the form.** The school receives a **substantial**

Pupil Premium into the school budget for every child entitled to free school meals, which we can use to provide extra provision. Please fill in the form and return to school, or you can apply online at https://new.devon.gov.uk/supportforschools/services-and-contacts/free-school-meals

God bless and have a lovely weekend.

Best wishes from Katie Gray and the staff at Broadhembury School

2016 Term Dates

Spring Term 2016

Monday 4th January Occasional Day Tuesday 5th January Non Pupil Day Wednesday 6th January Term begins for children 15th February - 19th February Half Term Thursday 24th March Term ends for children

Summer Term 2016

Monday 11th April Non Pupil Day Tuesday 12th April Term begins for children 30th May - 3rd June Half Term Thursday 21st July Term ends for children

Key Dates

Mrs Gray and Miss Prince will be in school on Wednesday next week.

Wednesday 20th January – Devon & Somerset Fire Brigade Staying Safe Visit

Monday 8th February – Year 5 Bikeability week