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Dear Parents,

This week's Statement to Live By is:

I try to love others as I love myself

Happy New Year to you all! I hope you all had an enjoyable Christmas and a good start to 2016. The holiday seems to have flown and it was a struggle getting up this morning for a lot of people. Thank you on behalf of all the staff for your cards, gifts and wishes before the holiday, we are very grateful. Last term was an eventful one, I will send out dates for the term later in the week.

Thought of the week:



Did you know that every month has a special flower? The flower for January is the snowdrop. Its blossoms are as white as snow and it often even blooms before all the snow has melted! If YOU were a delicate flower, would you be brave enough to stick your head up in the cold snow? Sometimes it's hard to do what you're supposed to do, so ask God to help you be brave enough to always 'stick up' for what's right!

Year 6 revision clubs start this week in preparation for SAT'S in May.

D:Side

Our annual visit from D:Side will take place. This week they cover a range of topics related to keeping the children safe and looking after themselves.

Reception	Different feelings & emotions / Taking care of our body / Medicine chat.
Year 1	How our body works / Healthy lunchboxes / Medicine chat / Exercise and rest.
Year 2	How we are different to our friends / How our body works / Being special.
Year 3	Smoking & effects on the body / What is in a cigarette / Passive Smoking / Why People Smoke?
Year 4	Alcohol & effects on the body / Alcoholic drinks / Why people do or don't drink / Role play.
Year 5	Solvents / Volatile Substances & effects on the body / Risk Taking / Safe and unsafe household products / Keeping safe.
Year 6	Cannabis & effects on the body / Drug discussion / Drug Goggles



D:Side

*Internet Safety Sessions for KS2 will include:

- Using emails safely.
- Responsible and safe use of the internet (logins, email, photography, password protection, personal information and self-protection).
- 'Chatting' with care
- Using text and picture messaging
- Social networking and safe profiling



Many children will have received the latest gadgets such as tablets, smart phones and games consoles this Christmas.

The internet and all it can offer, is a wonderful tool for keeping in touch with friends and family, however parents and carers need to be aware that it is possible for people who are not known to your children and young people, to communicate with them via the internet.

Some parents, carers or relatives might not realise that even games consoles such as Xbox and PlayStation are connected to the internet and can be used for communicating as well as playing games.

While using these gadgets is second nature for many children and young people, they can seem quite daunting for parents or carers who may not be as technologically savvy.

Simple, step-by-step instructions have been produced on how to set the privacy settings on the most popular applications and games consoles used by children and young people.

If you have bought a child or young person a new gadget e.g.; mobile, games console or iPad for Christmas, you can follow these instructions and enable these settings before you give your gift and therefore help protect your child or young person online.

To access the instructions for the most popular applications and consoles go to the Leeds Safeguarding Children Board website: www.leedslscb.org.uk and click on the **Parents/Carers** section.



Snow

We will always endeavour to keep school open as long as staff numbers make it viable and safe to do so. If we are to close due to the weather we will try and send a text to you and put it on the website and soon as possible. If the School Office doesn't have your most recent mobile phone details could you please notify them so that our records can be kept up to date.

Topic Leaflets

This half terms parents topic leaflets will be coming out later this week please take the time to read them and see the themes your children will be covering this term.



Praise Assembly

Year	Well Done Certificates	Writing Certificate	Merits	Good Samaritan
R	Jakub Rzepkowski	Erin McKenna	Neave Gacquin	Poppy Robertshaw
1	Lewis Smith	Emily Marrison	Frazer Dyson	Eimear Langham
2	Caleb Horsfall	Jacob Rayner	Nadia Molenda	Youssef El -Taki
3	Azira Winczowska	Louis Parsley	Niall Fox	Alfie Armitage
4	Caitlin Wade	Anna Kelly	Cailem Casey	Anastasia Xenikaki
5	Abraham England	Henry Evans	Hollie Smith	Kai Parsley
6	Georgia Opare-Amo	Abigail Wolde	Frankie Burton	Harry Breakell
Dinner Time			Kitchen staff	
Attendance			Year 1, 2, 4 100%	
Punctuality			Year 2	
House Winner			Saint David	
Head Teacher Award			Mini Vinnies	

The Term Dates for next academic year are as follows; (please note 5 training days are to be added I will confirm these shortly.)

HOLIDAY	SCHOOLS CLOSE	SCHOOLS OPEN
Summer		Monday 5 September 2016
Autumn mid-term	Friday 21 October 2016	Monday 31 October 2016
Christmas	Friday 16 December 2016	Tuesday 3 January 2017
Spring mid-term	Friday 10 February 2017	Monday 20 February 2017
Easter	Friday 31 March 2017	Monday 18 April 2017
May Bank Holiday	Friday 28 April 2017	Tuesday 2 May 2017
Summer mid-term	Friday 26 May 2017	Monday 5 June 2017
Summer	Wednesday 26 July 2017	