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Dear Parent/Carers,

Another busy week has flown passed with lots of exciting learning happening in school.

Attendance

This week's attendance winners were Year 2 with 99% attendance. The previous week's winners were Year 3 with a fantastic 98% attendance for our first full week back.

It's been fantastic to see so many of our pupils in school and on time this term – please keep it up! We've also seen a huge increase in children attending our breakfast club which helps to avoid children being late.

A reminder that if you have to take your child out of school for medical reasons, you must provide evidence of this to the office when you collect your child or return them to school.

We will be creating a reward for class who achieve the highest attendance each month. The winning class will be allowed to come to school in non-uniform on one day, to be decided by the class teacher.

Uniform

A reminder that pupils should not be wearing leggings to school – black or grey trousers only. In addition, pupils should only be wearing black shoes or flat boots to school: no brown or grey please.

All uniform, including coats, shoes and PE kits should be labelled with pupil names.

Headlice

There has been an outbreak of head lice evident in school this term. Please ensure that you regularly check your child's hair for eggs and lice. Should you find lice, please ensure that you treat all the family as they can pass quickly from one child to another. Treatment is available at most pharmacies and can be obtained on prescription from the doctor.

Afterschool care

We are considering providing after school care for pupils and would like to gauge the interest and potential uptake of parents to see if there would be enough interest for it to run. Please complete the following form by Friday 1st February by clicking this [LINK](#). After school care would include a snack and light tea for all pupils.

Chesham Schools Carnival

Last week the first carnival meeting was held and Mrs Dunton went to represent the school. The theme this year is Global Landmarks and we will be creating our walking float in the style of Easter Island. A club will be set up later in the year to make the props and costumes but please do let Mrs Denton know if you can help in any way.

Bad Weather Closures

With the recent discussion in the news of potential bad weather, please note that if the school needs to close we will inform you via text message as well as posting on the Buckingham County Council website: <https://closures.buckscc.gov.uk/Search.aspx>. I hope that we can avoid any closure this term but it's good to be prepared!

Film Night

The PTA are planning a film night for pupils in Reception, Year 1 and Year 2 from 4 – 6pm this Thursday, 24th January. They will be showing 'Ferdinand'. For tickets, please see the PTA who will be on the main playground every morning and at the end of the school day.

Film night for Years 3-6 will be held on Thursday 7th February where the children will be able to watch 'The Greatest Showman'.

I look forward to another great week of learning – and no snow!

Yours sincerely,

Julie-Ann Swaysland

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