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## A message from Mrs Hagley

Welcome back. I hope you all had a relaxing and happy Christmas.

As we begin this new year and term I have been thinking (as many of us do) about making New Year's resolutions. However, this year rather than give up something (never that successful), I thought I would do the things I have to do well and do the very best that I can do.

Our School rules are simple and ask that the children 'be kind, be truthful and be the best that you can be'. I look forward to this new term and watching the achievements and progress they will make.

I wish you all a happy and healthy New Year.

### Spring Term dates

#### Pupils' Term starts

5<sup>th</sup> January 2022

#### Phone/Virtual Parents' Meetings

w/c 31<sup>st</sup> January 2022

#### Spring Half Term

Monday 21<sup>st</sup> February –  
Friday 25<sup>th</sup> February 2022

#### World Book Day

Wednesday 2<sup>nd</sup> March 2022

#### Science Day

Tuesday 15<sup>th</sup> March 2022

#### Last day of Term/Easter

Friday 8<sup>th</sup> April 2022

### Did you know...?

**January** was named after Janus, the Roman god of beginnings and transitions, while **February's** name is believed to stem from Februa, an ancient festival dedicated to ritual springtime cleaning and washing.

### Summer Term dates

#### Pupils' Term starts

Monday 25<sup>th</sup> April 2022

#### May Bank Holiday

Monday 2<sup>nd</sup> May 2022

#### Summer Half Term

Monday 30<sup>th</sup> May –  
Friday  
3<sup>rd</sup> June 2022

#### Queens Platinum Jubilee

Monday 4<sup>th</sup> July 2022

#### Last day of Term

Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> July 2022



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## Little Angels news

Welcome back everyone and Happy New Year to you all! The children have been busy this week exploring the story 'Giraffe's Can't Dance' by Giles Andrea and Guy Parker-Rees. They have been exploring different types of music, creating instruments, expressing themselves to music and having movement filled with fun. x

## Word of the week

We are involved in a vocabulary project to help improve the children's range and confidence with vocabulary. Each week every class will learn a new 'Word of the week'. Please could you talk to your child about this word and practice using it.

Next week's 'Word of the week' (w/c 10/01/22)

Class R = Frozen

Class 1 = Confused

Class 2 = Solution

Class 3 = Forbidden

## Lunchtime & After School Clubs

- **Monday Football Lunch Club** C1, 2 and 3. (Monday 10<sup>th</sup> January first session)
- **Tuesday French After School Club** All Classes – last 1 in current session Tuesday 11<sup>th</sup> January. New session to start the week afterwards.
- **Thursday Multi-sports After School Club** C1, 2 and 3. (Thursday 13<sup>th</sup> January first session)
- **Friday Gymnastics After School Club** C1, 2 and 3. (Friday 14<sup>th</sup> January first session)

We also have free sports clubs at lunchtime:

**Thursday/Friday** lunchtime Sports Club.



## Covid 19

Again, following Government Guidance, we are limiting visitors to the school which means that Parents' Evening will be a phone or virtual event this year.



## Proof of Medical Appointments required

To fall in line with Federation policy, please provide proof of child's medical appointments if they will be missing school to attend them.

Eg. dentist/doctor/hospital appointments.

Proof can be a copy or photo of either the letter or the appointment card.

**Thank you.**

## Devon Norse

Devon Norse have amended their Autumn/Winter 2021 menu due to current shortages. Apologies for the poor image quality.

### Autumn/Winter 2021 Amended Menu

Week One	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Option 1	Cheese & Tomato Pizza	Westcountry Sausage	Roast Chicken & Stuffing	Pasta Bolognese	Fish Fingers
Option 2	Singapore Style Noodles	Quorn Sausages	Veggie Roast	Tomato Pasta	Veggie Fingers
Sides	Baked Beans, Peas & Potato Wedges	Creamed Potatoes Farmhouse Vegetables and Gravy	Roast Potatoes, Carrots & Broccoli & Gravy	Crusty Bread and Sweetcorn & Green Beans	Chips, Seasonal Vegetables and Ketchup
Desserts	Langage Farm Ice-Cream	Homemade Chocolate Drop Biscuit	Fresh Fruit Platter	Jam Sponge and Custard	Homemade Banana Muffin
Jacket Potato	Cheese, Beans or Tuna	Cheese, Beans or Tuna	Cheese, Beans or Tuna	Cheese, Beans or Tuna	Cheese, Beans or Tuna
Week starting:	03/01/22 – 17/01/22 – 31/01/22 – 14/02/22				

Week Two	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Option 1	Macaroni Cheese	Organic Beef Burger in a Bap	Roast Chicken & Stuffing	Pizza Margherita	Mini Battered Fish Fillet (Salmon)
Option 2	Vegan Sausage Roll	Plant Power Slide Burger	Veggie Roast	Tomato Tumble	Quorn Dippers
Sides	Creamed Potatoes and Farmhouse Vegetables	Potato Wedges and Baked Beans	Roast Potatoes, Carrots & Broccoli & Gravy	Herby Diced Potatoes, Sweetcorn & Peas	Chips, Seasonal Vegetables and Ketchup
Desserts	Pancakes with sliced Banana & Honey	Langage Ice-Cream	Fresh Fruit Platter	Sticky Chocolate Cake & Custard	Chocolate Cracknel
Jacket Potato	Cheese, Beans or Tuna	Cheese, Beans or Tuna	Cheese, Beans or Tuna	Cheese, Beans or Tuna	Cheese, Beans or Tuna
Week starting:	10/01/22 – 24/01/22 – 07/02/22				



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FROM RACKENFORD PTFA

## HAPPY NEW YEAR 2022

We hope you all had a lovely Christmas holidays. Next term we are hoping to fund some exciting things for the children and will keep you updated on these as they happen. We now have a regular meeting date of the last Tuesday of every month. (If this falls in the holidays we will notify you of the date change).

This terms meetings will be held on :

Tuesday 25th January at 7.30pm  
(Springhill House)

Tuesday 15th February at 7.30pm  
(Springhill House)

Tuesday 29th March at 7.30pm  
(Springhill House)

We would love to see as many of you as possible and welcome anyone who would like to get involved.

# JANUARY

With the weather getting colder, please ensure your child comes to school with a warm coat (and hat + gloves) – making sure all items are named so that we can match them to their owner. Thank you.

## Class Topics for this half term are:

**Class R – Winter Wonderland**

**Class 1 – School Days**

**Class 2 – Mighty Metals**

**Class 3 – Hola Mexico**

RACKENFORD  
FRENCH CLUB

## NEW BLOCK OF 5 SESSIONS

Bonjour, we have one more session in our current block next Tuesday the 11th and we will eat a Galette des rois! Afterwards, we will start a new Block of 5 sessions for £20 around Winter in France, every Tuesday at 3.30 to 4.15 pm, you will receive a form to join us, à bientôt!

