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Headteacher's newsletter

Dear Parent,

We are coming to the end of a very busy and enjoyable term. We have set challenging learning targets for your child and we will be sharing those with you in the New Year.

We have said some goodbyes during this term to a Teaching Assistant **Ricky Nestfield** and a Class Teacher **Mandy Kelly**. In the New Year, we have some changes to our staff team. **Maria Martinez-Redondo** Y4 teacher in Jade Class, **Emma Barber** Reception Teacher in Gold Class and **Eugene Romain** Y3 teacher in Emerald Class are leaving us. **Samantha Buttery**, Teaching Assistant, is also leaving us at the end of term. All of them will be a great loss to the school. We wish them well. I shall be writing to the parents of Jade class next week. **Edmund Sturley** will be joining the staff team in January 2018.

I hope you have been able to join us for some of our winter festivities. The children and their teachers have worked hard on this year's shows. The **Infant show** was brilliant. The children in **EYFS** performed last week and they too were fabulous. The children in **Years 3 & 4** also did a magnificent performance. We were all very proud of our talented children. Please do not post any pictures on social media but you can tweet @deptfordpark your written compliments.

The children's **Christmas dinner** is on Tuesday 19th December and the **Christmas parties** will be in the afternoon on Wednesday 20th December. Please join us for the **Winter Fayre** tonight after school .

Please could all outstanding **school meals** be paid for before the end of term. Some parents have not registered for Free School Meals this year. The pupil premium, a key element of the school budget, is determined by the number of our pupils who register for Free School Meals this also includes those children in EYFS and KS1.

Lost property will be put out in the playground next Tuesday 19th December. All unclaimed property will be disposed of on the last day of term.

Governors and staff send the season's greetings and would like to remind you to ensure your child comes to school in our school uniform in the New Year.

We break up on **Wednesday 20th December** at 3.30pm and we return on **Wednesday 3rd January 2018**.

If I don't see you before we break up have an enjoyable and safe holiday.

Best wishes,

Head Teacher: Ken Johnson
Deputy Head: Leona Baffour