

This week we have not only welcomed Mrs Haddy back to her first full teaching week but we have welcomed Savannah, Lena, Josh and Jacob into nursery. I am pleased to report that all have settled well in their first few days with us and while Lena and Josh already feel part of the school family I know that you will make Jacob and Savannah's family feel welcome and help guide them through life at Syresham!

I am pleased to report that Mrs Haddy and Mrs Wimpress have both passed their moderator exams again this year. This means that they are qualified to go into other schools in the summer to moderate writing in KS1 and 2 to ensure consistency across the county. This puts the school in a very strong position when looking at our own books with strong knowledge of what 'good' writing looks like.

Rugby news! I am really excited to tell you that Mikey Hayward a player from the Northampton Saints team is coming to visit the school next Monday afternoon. He will be spending time with the children answering questions and maybe throwing a rugby ball about with some of the children. Over the weekend maybe your children could google Mikey to find out more about him and come up with some questions to ask him. If your child would like an autograph please can they bring something in for Mikey to sign. In other rugby news we have been invited to the Saints game on 16th February against Sale. At the match the children and I will be welcomed onto the pitch at half time to receive a signed Saints shirt to display in school. I would really like to make this a school event and invite as many of you as would like to come as possible. Tickets are £20 for adults and £10 for children. In order to coordinate this event, can you please let me know if you would like tickets and bring a cheque into school (made payable to Syresham School Games Fund) by Wednesday 23rd January. I will then book the tickets so that we all sit together. This is a great opportunity for children of all ages to experience a live game of rugby.

In order to continue Taekwondo at school we really need more children signed up to the class. These lessons are taught on a Thursday in the school hall by Charlotte a fully trained Taekwondo teacher. Lessons are £6.50 per hour, £71.50 for the term to Easter. If your child is interested in joining the class, please can you let Mrs Allee know.

A message from The Friends - BINGO! You'll find a leaflet in your child's book bag for our fun Bingo Night fundraiser, Friday 25th January. Doors open at 5.30pm, eyes down at 6pm. **Please bring any unwanted Christmas presents for prizes (adults or children's) to school and place in the box by Mrs Allee's desk, give to your year rep, or bring on the night. Thank you so much for your support.** The Friends of Syresham School are looking for a qualified accountant to audit their accounts for The Charity Commission. This is new for us as it is only required once you raise more than £10k a year, which we have just done! If you can help, or know someone who can, please get in touch with our treasurer Shirley Astle-Portlock, Harry's mum in Y5. Thank you.

I would like you to be aware that in two separate incidences yesterday primary school aged children were approached in Brackley and asked if they wanted a lift. Both boys said no and the drivers drove away. The police have been informed but please can you reiterate to your children about not accepting lifts from anyone and to walk to the nearest safe place to alert an adult. We have spoken to the KS2 children about this today.

Please can we remind you that school starts at 8:50am. Children who arrive after this time will be marked 'late' in the register. Please telephone school if you know your child will arrive in school after 9am and leave a message. We also need to know if someone other than the parent will be collecting children from school or if they will be collected after 3:30. Again, please telephone so that we are aware of the situation.

Thank you to everyone who has been supporting the Child family at this difficult time, I know that it has been very much appreciated by the family.

Have a good weekend and please send in hats and gloves for the cold break times we are having!
Mrs Clough

Letters home – See Saw, diary dates, bingo.

Headteacher Awards	In the Spotlight
Reception : Leanna Year 1&2 : James and Joey Year 3&4 : Freya Year 5&6 : Bethany Presentation : Millie	<p style="text-align: center;">Mrs Allee</p> <p><i>If you could travel to a country and stay for a month, where would it be?</i></p> <p><i>Italy</i></p> <p><i>Why?</i></p> <p><i>I love the architecture in Florence</i></p>
Friday Cake Bakers	<p><i>What is your favourite drink?</i></p> <p><i>Chai Tea</i></p>
Dee LouiseA Shirley	<p><i>If you could be amazing at one thing what would it be?</i></p>
Letters Home	
See Saw, diary dates, Bingo	<p><i>Opera Singing!</i></p>

