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Dear families,

Happy New Year to all of our families - we hope that you were able to have a peaceful Christmas holidays with family and friends.

We started the new year with an assembly about making new year's resolutions and turning over a new leaf. We talked about positive resolutions, for example, learning a new skill; or improving an area of learning rather than giving something up. We also reminded ourselves about the Tithe Farm Way and how to Be Ready, Show Respect and Stay Safe. These are important rules for not only our children but also our school community.

Our new catering company (HCL) have now taken over providing school meals for our children. Over the holidays the dining hall has been refreshed and new systems have been put in place. The children loved the new look; the new plates and bowls (KS2); the clear cups and jugs for water; and most importantly the food. If you haven't already, please create your School Grid account with the new ordering system (links were sent out before the school holidays). If you are having difficulty setting up your account, there is more information on the school website or please pop into the office and they will help you to do this.

Alongside this letter you will find important dates for this term. This contains all known activities for this term. If there are any changes to this or additional dates added, we will communicate this with you in good time. Information about educational visits will be sent out separately and added to the school calendar.

A reminder for our nursery families, please ensure that you remember to make your child's Starting School Application by **15 January 2024.** Late applications will not be processed until the late allocation round, which could reduce your chances of being offered your preference school. Applications can be made online at:

https://www.centralbedfordshire.gov.uk/info/5/school admissions/496/apply for a new lower or prim ary school place If families wish to complete a paper application, this can be downloaded using the same link, but the form then needs to be emailed to Admissions@centralbedfordshire.gov.uk as the post is unreliable.

We look forward learning together over the next term and thank you for your support in this.

Yours sincerely,

Mrs R Worsfold Headteacher