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Dear Parents,

Happy New Year to you all.

As we start the new year a few reminders and things to look forward to.

As you will be aware Miss Donoghue will be teaching at another school for Term 3. This is part of her professional development. Ms Ellis has now joined Year 4. If parents need to contact her directly please email [c.ellis@teynham.kent.sch.uk](mailto:c.ellis@teynham.kent.sch.uk)

Mrs Butler is unwell but we hope should be back in the next couple of weeks. If you have emailed her this week please re send any emails to the office – [office@teynham.kent.sch.uk](mailto:office@teynham.kent.sch.uk)

We will be continuing with shutting the car park gates between 8:30 and 9:00. This has improved the safety for the children in the morning.

There will be an attendance leaflet going out soon. This time we are focusing on lateness. Children should be in class by 8:50 when learning begins. There will be some top tips to help get your child into school on time.

Overall attendance up to end of term 2 was **93.5%** for the same time last year it was 92.5%. Term 2 saw lots of coughs / colds so we are really pleased that despite this we have seen an improvement in attendance. If you are unsure if your child is unwell enough to attend school please send them in if they become too ill to be at school we will contact you.

Rabbit class had the best attendance of 95% for term 2 so they had a non-uniform day this week.

This term we are focusing on courtesy across the school. Each week will have a focus and one child will be nominated to sit on the courtesy bench during Friday's celebration assembly. Week 1 – Wonderful Walking, Week 2 - Patient Passing, Week 3 – Marvellous Manners, Week 4 – Terrific Tidying, Week 5 – Perfect Pack lunches, Week 6 – Respecting Resources



As the weather is very unpredictable at this time of year please ensure your child has a coat with them everyday and make sure it is named.

The website is constantly being updated so please check in there for lots of information including class blogs. We have added lots of safety information for parents with lots of tips to keep children safe when using devices.

Thank you for your continued support.

Mrs Pearson

