

## **An update from Miss Lawrence (Headteacher) and Mrs Hickinbottom (Deputy)...**

We are now at the end of a very long term, the children have worked so incredibly hard and have enjoyed the Christmas festivities at school. Before we start with news at Danemill, we would just like to wish all of our children and families a very merry Christmas and a happy new year!

### Headteacher

At the beginning of December, interviews were held and I was appointed permanent Headteacher at Danemill Primary School. As always, I am proud to lead such a fantastic school full of the best children and am looking forward to continuing to work with everyone in building our school to be the best that it can be.

### Hellos—one more makes four

You may remember in the last newsletter that we shared that Mrs Linstead, Miss Jones and Mrs Irons all had baby boys. Well at the beginning of December, Mrs Ellis also had a baby boy so that's four boys welcomed into the Danemill family. Congratulations!

### Goodbyes

Unfortunately we say goodbye to Mrs Allsopp and Mrs Barnes who have been working for us as dining supervisors. We would like to thank them for all of their hard work and wish them well for the future.

### Christmas Decorations and Christmas Fair

We welcomed over 200 parents to our Christmas Decorations morning. It was a fantastic morning spent making Christmas decorations and the children thoroughly enjoyed themselves. This was followed by an excellent Christmas Fair that the FEDS arranged. Their hard work ensured that just under £1500 was raised for our school. A huge amount of work goes into this so thank you to all who supported our event.

### Nativities

Pre-School, EYFS and KS1 worked so hard to produce amazing nativities and they did us proud. Pre-School performed a singalong. EYFS performed 'The Nativity' and KS1 wrote their own nativity featuring Christmas songs that the children loved to perform. The narrators were clear with their spoken parts as well as excellent with their singing and dance moves. Well done to all of the children and staff who worked so hard to put together two amazing shows!

### KS2 Carol Concert

The children in KS2 walked sensibly down to our local church and beautifully sang Christmas carols to get us all into the Christmassy mood. A big thank you to Mrs Higham who organised the concert as well as Enderby church who made us so welcome, as they do every year.

### Christmas Dinner

Christmas Dinner was the best yet! FEDS paid for all of KS2 to have a Christmas Dinner this year so we were all able to eat our dinner together in the hall, listening to Christmas music and enjoying the jokes from the Christmas crackers. Thank you to the FEDS for funding this.

### Honeybees

Honeybees are experiencing difficulties with residents parking on their car park. Please can you make sure that if you drive to school that you park at the leisure centre and walk down to drop off or collect your child. Thank you.

### Parking

Thank you to those sending in pictures of people parking illegally. All of them have been forwarded to our local PCSO who have been able to deal with every incident.

### Trust Advisory Board

There is an AGM meeting for our Trust Advisory Board. The purpose of the AGM is primarily to give members a report on the Trust activities and finances for the previous year. Places are limited but if you would like to attend then please register your interest here: <https://www.surveymonkey.co.uk/r/3V99DJD>.

### **Children sent to Senior Leaders for fantastic efforts:**

Tom Healey	Rhys Coulson	Fabian Clarke	Logan Wykes	Amelia Goodwin	Liasdean Stublely
Tina Quinn	Zak Southall	Oscar Thompson	Grace Watts	George Reeves	Marie Maughan
Advik Abhayanker	Oliver Vernon	Tanai-Leigh Street	Liam Judge		

### UPCOMING DATES

**08.01.19**—School Opens and Balance-ability starts in KS1

**10.01.19**—Y4 Beaumanor Hall meeting for parents 5—5.45 p.m.

**14.01.19**—4MD Class Assembly—2.50 p.m.

**16.01.19**—Characteristics Morning until 10.30 a.m.

**18.01.19**—Storytime Selfie—9—9.30 a.m.

**22.01.19**—Open Morning—Maths—9—10 a.m. and Coffee Morning—10—11 a.m.

**29.01.19**—AGM & Board Meeting at Fossebrook from 5—8 p.m.

**04.02.19**—3BB Class Assembly—2.50 p.m.

**05.02.19**—E-Safety Workshop—5—5.45 p.m.

**12.02.19**—Y6 SATS evening—5—5.45 p.m.

**15.02.19**—School Closes for half term

