



**Happy New Year! Welcome back, and a special welcome to those children and families joining Dormice class. We look forward to lots of fun together in 2018!**

### **Snack and Cooking Money**

Thanks to those of you who have made a donation towards cooking and snack. If you are able to donate please send in to the staff in your child's class. Many thanks.

### **Attendance**

Please ensure that your child is present for the whole duration of the sessions they should be attending.

However, if your child is unwell please do not feel they have to be at school - we need to think about their wellbeing plus that of others.

Please phone the absence line on 01787 280143 by 9.30am and leave a message to let us know that your child is unwell.

### **Wellies / spare clothes**

A reminder that if possible please can your child have a pair of wellies to keep at school, and spare clothes in case they get wet / muddy. Many thanks



### **Talk4Writing**

This half term the Dormice will be learning the story 'Goldilocks and the Three Bears'.



### **Save the date!**

On the morning of Thursday 8<sup>th</sup> March we will be having an event to celebrate Mother's Day, so please write the date in your diary - more details to follow nearer the date.

### **Library books**

This term we will be introducing a 'library book' scheme, where the children will bring home a book from school to share. They can then return their book and exchange it for a different one.

We will ask the children each week if they want to change their book - however, if you want them to change it please let us know.



### **Introducing Mousey**

We are pleased to introduce you to Mousey, who wants to go on adventures with the Dormice! We will select a day when your child will bring Mousey home - please help your child to include Mousey in your home life and record this in his diary, which is in the bag. Please do not feel that that you have to do anything out of the ordinary with him.

Feel free to include writing, pictures or photos - if you take digital photos but are unable to print them please upload them to Tapestry and we will print them for you.

We will then invite your child to share Mousey's adventure with the rest of the class.

Mousey should be returned the next session that your child your child attends.

We look forward to sharing the adventures!



### **Toys from home**

Please can we ask that your child does not bring in toys from home. If they want to bring in an item as a 'comforter' this must fit into their bag / drawer. Many thanks.

### **Dates for this half term...**

Monday 8<sup>th</sup> January - term starts for the children

Wednesday 31<sup>st</sup> January - golden celebration at 2.45pm

Week beginning 12<sup>th</sup> February - half term



### **And finally...**

Please come and speak to us if you have any concerns or queries about your child - we want to work with you to support your child to ensure they are happy and confident learners.