Dear Parents/Guardians,

Welcome back to our Spring Term, 2024 - and a very Happy New Year to you.

The classes have an array of really great topics this term and details will be sent home shortly. With this being an exceptionally short term (6 weeks - half term: 19/2 - 23/2) we will be working hard to keep things moving and will still find time to add in enrichment activities... watch this space. I'd also like to welcome Ms Saunders, who will be with us for the year completing her teacher training. She will be working with Wren class.

As we start the new term, please ensure your ParentPay account is in credit, re-name all the children's clothing and prepare for lighter nights!

Whilst we are waiting for the warmer weather, please be mindful that coats, hats and gloves are useful to have in school. The children are outside in most weather for over an hour per day.

Swimming for KS2 will continue every Friday up to Easter, with tuck shop for the whole school also on Fridays (still a maximum of £1.00). PE days remain the same this term - KS2 Tuesday, R/KS1 Friday and forest school is for years 1,2,3 &4 on Wednesdays. Please always assume forest school is going ahead unless you hear otherwise. If you know of anyone who may like to help out with forest school, please get in touch - they don't need to help out every week.

We are starting to gather information about our September 2024 starters, so please let Mrs Tonge know if you have a child who turns 5 between 1/9/24 and 31/8/25. Please also spread the word to friends and family who may be considering sending their child to St Thomas'.

Please remember to let Mrs Tonge know if your child is ill or going to be late - as per the information regarding our fire safety obligations.

Regards,

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