

# HELLO AND WELCOME BACK

Hello everyone,

Welcome back, I hope Father Christmas bought you all you wished for, and that amongst all the hustle and bustle you managed to have some time for peace and quiet.

As you know, my Christmas wasn't quite as I wished and I'm still hobbling. So my place is being ably taken by Mrs Pirie who is doing a fab job. I am really sorry not to be there— especially missing the snow.

Mrs Pirie and I are liaising on a daily basis to ensure that there is a continuity in the delivery of the Foundation Strategy through child initiated and adult-led activities. One of the consequences of my not being there is that Muddy Mondays will have suspended until my return—don't worry when I get back I'll make up for lost time!

Reception are taking part in a drumming workshop on Friday 22nd January. Mrs Pirie seems to be getting all the fun! I'm really looking forward to hearing all about that.

During the rest of this term your children will be finding out about the birds they see around the school. They will be identifying types, making bird food, and finding the answers to questions the children have themselves posed.

Library books Just to remind you that library books are changed on Tuesdays. Some children have not been bringing the books

back and so have been unable to choose another book. This is a shame as the idea of using the library is not just to read books but to enjoy the experience of independently selecting a book with no adult influence. Please help your children access this skill in independence.

Thank you A huge thank-you to parents and grandparents who have been able to come into class to help. We realise you're all busy people and so we appreciate the commitment.

That's it for now, hopefully I'll see you very soon.

Terri Weldon.