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Dear Parents and Carers,

We have finally got there!

Today the last of our furniture and resources was brought up from our Effingham Road site and our early years' staff have been incredibly busy organising our new classrooms and outside area for the children on Monday.

Moving house will seem easy after this! We will be unpacking crates for some time. You will notice that there is still some work going on to finish off areas which had to be left until the end of the project, and of course we will be snagging for some time.

When the dust settles, we will be holding an open morning and you will be welcome to come in and have a look all around the school while the children are engaged in their learning.

On Monday, all our new families will be on our Primary School site, so please look out for them and help them to settle in and feel welcome.

Scooter and bicycle storage / parking

We have a new parking area in the enclosed space inside the main gates. From Monday, this will be the area where Nursery, Reception, Year 1 and 2 pupils can park their bikes and scooters during the day. There will then be no need to take these into the playground. The gate to this area will be open from 8.30am until 9am and from 2.50pm until 3.15pm. The gate will be locked during the day.

Notes for your diary

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| 29 th January | All pupils will be attending school on Newstead Road site |
| 1 st February | 'Come for Coffee' in 'Big Hall' from 2.15 until 3pm |
| 9 th February | Session for parents and carers focusing on supporting children with anxiety |
| 6 th March | Parent/carer and teacher meetings 3.30 – 6 |
| 7 th March | Parent/carer and teacher meetings 4.30 - 7 |

It would also be helpful if any parents or carers who bring their bikes to school, could leave them in this area while they take the children in to the playground area.

Pupils in year 3,4,5 or 6 will take their bikes and scooters through the playground and park them in the area at the back of the playground. They should not be accompanied by parents as they are expected to organise this on their own. All pupils using this area are expected to **walk** their bikes or scooters through the playground; they must not scoot or cycle in the playground as this will compromise the safety of others.

Events this week

On Tuesday, 2CL went to Manor House Library and park. They had a wonderful time and borrowed some beautiful books.

On Wednesday, 2FM went on a really interesting visit to the Florence Nightingale Museum to support their learning in history. Also on Wednesday, 5K, 5/6F and 6M went to Sadler's Wells to see Cinderella. This was an amazing experience and the children loved the performance.

On Thursday, an artist from the Royal Academy came to work with 6M. She created a 'Drawing Lab' in their class and they all had a wonderful learning experience. 5K and 5/6F also took part in this amazing outreach programme a couple of weeks ago.

We also presented a cheque for £273 to 'For Jimmy' which we all collected for Christmas Jumper day.

On Thursday afternoon, all our Nursery and Reception children had a wonderful circus skills workshop as a special treat on their last day at the EYFS site.

Coffee morning and session for parents and carers on supporting children when they feel anxious

On Friday 9th February Sonya Gannon will be leading a session for parents and carers focusing on supporting children when they feel anxious. Sonya has led sessions for parents and carers here in the past and feedback has been very positive. She is very knowledgeable and really supportive and she always has lots of practical ideas.

Our Friends will be providing refreshments and cakes. The session is expected to last about an hour and there will be lots of opportunities for questions. So please come along and join us in our new hall after drop off at 9am.

Events organised by Parents & Friends

Come for Coffee:

In our first week together on one site, we'd like invite parents and carers to coffee on Thursday 1st February from 2.15 until 3pm in the big Hall.

Tea, coffee and cake available.

Thank you to all who were able to join us on Thursday to mark the final week in Effingham Road.

The Family Bingo Night will be back from 6.15-8pm on Friday 2nd Match in the main hall. The Friends would gladly received any donations of prizes for adults and children for the event - maybe any unused presents. Please drop to the office.

Finally dates for your diaries:

Annual Easter Egg Hunt Tuesday 27th March - we will be looking for donations of Easter Eggs after half term

Cake Sale Friday 18th May

Family Fun Day Saturday 14th July

Our Lady of Lourdes parish

First Communion Programme 2017/18

The next session will be on Saturday 3rd February. The children will be in the church and the parents in the hall, both at 10:00am. Please do arrive before 10:00am so that the sessions can start and finish on time; teas and coffees will be available in the hall from 9:45am.

We will be covering Chapters 5 "Friendship" and 8 "Joy"

Attendance & Punctuality for this week

Please ensure that your child arrives in the playground in time to line up with their class when the bell is rung. If your child is coming in after their class each day then it is really important that you and your child leave home a little earlier to rectify this problem.

Total 47 late children throughout the school, congratulations to Reception B 3A and 5/6F with no lates.

<u>Class</u>	<u>Attendance</u>	<u>Lates</u>	<u>Class</u>	<u>Attendance</u>	<u>Lates</u>	<u>Class</u>	<u>Attendance</u>	<u>Lates</u>
Reception C	95%	1	Year 2CL	95%	5	Year 4T	92%	8
Reception B	93%	0	Year 2FM	94%	4	Year4L	96%	9
Year 1 A	96%	6	Year 3U	98%	2	Year 5K	97%	2
Year 1 D	96%	4	Year 3A	95%	0	Year 5/6F	95%	0
						Year 6M	98%	6

Have a lovely weekend

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