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OAKFIELD PRIMARY SCHOOL
& NURSERY UNIT

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Happy New Year

On behalf of our entire school community may I wish you all a Peaceful and Prosperous New Year.

Nursery & Primary One Applications for 2020

As we consider the future, may we state that the application process will be online for children wishing to start at our Nursery Unit or Primary One in September 2020. A parental portal on the Education Authority website of www.eani.org.uk/admissions will be available from **Tuesday 7 January @ 12 Noon to Thursday 30 January @ 12 Noon**. Verifying documents, such as birth certificates and proof of address, should also be supplied directly to our school office by this date. The school will have access to paper copies of the application forms from **Tuesday 7 January 2020** for anyone encountering difficulties with the online application process. **N.B. Please do not hesitate in asking for assistance.**

Thank-you for generous donations

May I express our appreciation for your kind donations of **£378** from our Foundation Stage & Key Stage 1 Christmas concerts, and **£302** from our Key Stage 2 Christmas Carol Service.

Target Books

All P1-P7 target books will be sent home on **Tuesday 14 January 2020**. Please sign these and return to school on **Wednesday 15 January 2020**.

Whole school-based January assessments & attendance week

Our January assessments for all P1-P7 pupils will take place between **Monday 20 January and Friday 31 January 2020**. Results from these will be discussed with you at parent/teacher interviews in February. In line with our attendance policy, attendance week will be held from **20 - 24 January 2020**. Children are encouraged to attend school every day and to arrive promptly for the 8.55am bell. Attendance week activities will be taking place in our classrooms throughout this week.

Rescheduled Parental 'MINDSET' seminar

You are warmly invited to Oakfield Primary School on Thursday 23 January 2020 from 7pm to 9pm to participate in a parents 'MINDSET' seminar. This seminar was delivered last year by the Public Health Agency through our Shared Education partnership. Many parents found it beneficial and Oakfield are hosting the evening for anyone who was unable to attend last year.

The purpose of this seminar is to:

1. Raise awareness and increase knowledge and understanding of Mental and Emotional Health and Wellbeing
2. Increase awareness of signs and symptoms of mental ill health
3. Promote self-help/resilience techniques and how to maintain a safe level of positive mental/emotional health and wellbeing
4. Promote self-care
5. Provide information and/or resources on mental health support organisations available locally and regionally. 'Approximately 1 in 4 people in the UK will experience a mental health problem each year.' (www.mind.org.uk) We do hope you avail of this opportunity.

If you have any further questions about the evening please speak to Miss Logan.

Sending money to school / School dinners

- Please note, all monies sent to school should be enveloped per child, with the correct amount and clearly labelled. Money envelopes are available for this purpose costing £2.50 for 40 envelopes.
- Dinners must be ordered and monies sent in separately for each child for the week, on each Monday @ £2.60 per dinner. Cheques should be made payable to Education Authority, not Oakfield PS.

BREAKFAST CLUB (£2 per day) & 223 CLUB (£3 per day) UP AND RUNNING AGAIN IN 2020

***** REMEMBER TO KEEP CHECKING OUR WEBSITE & FACEBOOK PAGE FOR REGULAR UPDATES *****