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Letter from Mr. Watkins

Dear Parents and Carers.

We have reached the end of another busy week at SNELA and I wanted to share a few updates with you.

Staffing in Year 4

We are delighted that Mrs. Rachel Richards has joined our teaching team temporarily, covering in Year 4. Rachel met the class yesterday and has been with them today too whilst we work through transitioning her into her role. We are really pleased to have Rachel on the team and wish her a warm welcome.

Reading priority

Both myself and Julie Phillips have been on RWInc training over the last two weeks. It is arguably the most important piece of learning we do in school – getting your children to love reading is one of our school aims as we "Build Excellence (in reading) Together." Our Early Reading is excellent in school and that is thanks to the dedicated team of staff we have that deliver phonics each morning – thank you team for all you do. Thank you also to Laura Massabo for her parent-sessions recently; we hope they have been well received.

Thank you for hearing your child/ren read each day – it really does make all the difference.

Parent's Evenings

This year's Parents' Evenings will take place on Monday 16th and Tuesday 17th October between 3.30 and 6pm. This is an opportunity to meet with your child's class teacher to discuss their progress and see some of the learning so far this term. Bookings are now open via the MyEd app. If you need any support with downloading the app or have any queries about appointments, please contact Michelle and Angela in the office. Thank you for your patience over the last couple of weeks whilst we integrate this new system.

Key Stage 1 Nativity – save the date!

We are really looking forward to our Key Stage 1 Nativity this year. This is an opportunity for our youngest children to shine and we can't wait. Please save the date for Wednesday 13th December. There will be two performances (9.30 am and 2.30 pm) and tickets will be bookable (free of charge) via MyEd next week.

School photos

A reminder that school photos – individual and sibling will be on Thursday 19th October with HatchBox photography. Please could we ask that children have their school jumpers with them on this day and are looking smart.

Pre-School sibling photos will commence from 8.30 am.





We look forward to sharing more news about what we have been learning in next week's newsletter.

Have a great weekend everyone and enjoy the sun,

Best wishes, Andy Watkins