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From tiny acorns, great forests grow

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Dear Parents and Carers,

Another New Year

It feels like no time has passed since I last wrote to you all at the start of the new school year. We are however already through our first term and into the new calendar year.

In my last letter, I suggested five simple things that you can do to help the school: check your pupil premium (<https://tinyurl.com/DukesPP>); support the PTA; volunteer in school; travel smart and respect our staff. Visiting school it looks like you listened. We had a fantastic PTA Christmas fair, lots of parents volunteering in school and lots of children walking to school. Thank you to everyone who has done their bit for the school last term. Please keep up the good work.

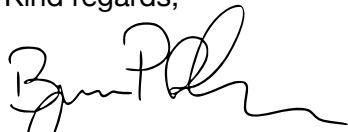
This term, I have one additional favour to ask. I am told that last term some parents got hold of teachers' email addresses and were contacting them directly and out of school hours. Staff email addresses should not have been provided to parents – if you have somehow received one, please do not use it. We all want the best for our children, but we must all respect the teachers and the boundaries of their working lives. They work incredibly hard for our children and are entitled to their own time.

If you need to contact a teacher please speak to reception in person, by telephone (01457 852635) or by email (info@dukenorfolk.derbyshire.sch.uk) and they will pass the message on. All of the necessary contact details are on the school website (www.dukenorfolk.co.uk), including those for emergencies or serious issues like safeguarding concerns. If you have a question about a governance issue, you can of course email me (chair@dukenorfolk.derbyshire.sch.uk).

On the topic of reception, Mrs Ford retired at the end of last term. Whilst we have been sad to lose her, it has given us the opportunity to create a new position of school business manager. Miss Moody has already started in the new role; some of you may already have noticed her around school. Please ensure that you give her a warm welcome next time you visit the school reception. I am confident that she will be an excellent addition to the Dukes family. Please be patient while the new reception team get used to the new arrangements.

As always, I would like to wish the whole school community the best for the coming term.

Kind regards,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Bryn Adams', with a long, sweeping horizontal flourish extending to the right.

Bryn Adams

Chair of Governors