

Dear parents and carers,

I hope you had an enjoyable break and have managed to spend some time with your loved ones. We have had a positive start to the term, on Monday staff had training sessions on supporting children with additional needs, using QR codes to support children's access to the curriculum and looking at ways to maximise progress in Phonics lessons. The children have returned to school settled and ready to learn as we begin our Tell a Tale topic, this term has a focus on traditional tales and stories from around the world.

Online Safety

Our January Online Safety newsletter is now available on our website. It contains some really useful information on setting up any new devices children may have had for Christmas and access to YouTube and Lego Fortnite. [download.asp \(overdale-inf.leicester.sch.uk\)](https://www.overdale-inf.leicester.sch.uk/download.asp)



All Parents and Carers are invited to a digital safety information session on Friday 26th January at 2.30pm. The session will finish in time to collect children. We would urge parents to come along and find out about ways of making children's online experiences as safe and healthy as possible.

Please see the poster for more details [Blue Neon Cyber Safety Technology Poster \(overdale-inf.leicester.sch.uk\)](https://www.overdale-inf.leicester.sch.uk)

Class Assemblies

Class assemblies will start promptly at 9:20 and may last around 30 minutes. Unfortunately photographs and video recordings will not be permitted during the assembly but there will be an opportunity for this at the end of the assembly.

Friday 19 th January	Indigo Class
Friday 26 th January	Violet Class
Friday 2 nd February	Blue Class
Friday 9 th February	Rainbow 1
Friday 1 st March	Rainbow 2
Friday 8 th March	Rainbow 3

Hello from Miss Preston

I'm Miss Preston and I'm the Pastoral Support Worker across Overdale Infant and Junior School. I've had a great first few weeks here getting to know the pupils and staff. When I'm not at School, I like watching Rugby, going for walks and spending time with my friends and family. Please feel free to contact me at kpreston@overdale-jun.leicester.sch.uk or phone the main office on 0116 2882724.



Communication

Thank you for taking the time to complete our communication survey, we are in the process of discussing the feedback as a Senior Leadership Team and finalising changes to our communication strategy. I am pleased to share with you that overall, the responses were very

positive and the recent changes we have made have been recognised. We would like to move towards using Class Dojo to share more photos and will no longer be using Evidence me for children in Reception and Key Stage 1. In order to make sure we have the most up to date permission information please can I ask you click on the link below to share your permission preference. This will need to be completed by Friday 19th January 2024.

<https://forms.office.com/e/peuxKWxuKz?origin=lprLink>

Reminders

- Promoting Positive behaviour workshop starts on Thursday 18th January. This is a 5 week course that will help to give parents additional tools to manage their children's behaviour effectively and to help promote positive behavioural habits. Please register your interest with Mr Lang via Class Dojo or email – mlang@overdale-inf.leicester.sch.uk

Looking ahead

- Parents evening booking will go live on Tuesday 30th January at 4pm. Parents will receive the booking link via email. Parents evenings will then take place on Tuesday 13th and Thursday 15th February.

Take Care,
Mrs Holmes

Dates for your diary

Wednesday 17 th January	Reading open sessions begin – every Wednesday at 2:50pm
Tuesday 23 rd January	Routes to Resilience Parent Open session – 9:15am
Friday 26 th January	Online Safety Meeting for parents 2:30pm
Tuesday 30 th January	Parents Evening booking goes live to parents at 4pm
Friday 2nd February	NSPCC Number Day
Tuesday 13 th February and Thursday 15 th February	Parents Evenings
Friday 16 th February	Coffee Morning for parents and carers End of term

This is the link to the latest after school clubs being held every day at Overdale Infant School. Please click the link for more details.

[Overdale Infant School - School Clubs \(overdale-inf.leicester.sch.uk\)](https://overdale-inf.leicester.sch.uk)