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Remember our target for
2018-2019 is 96%!

Whole school attendance - **95.17%**

Our best class - Lapland **97.92%**

Well done to Lapland class!

The Viking Way

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Principal's Message:

Happy New Year!

Welcome to our first newsletter of 2019. We are all looking forward to our next exciting term. Lots of fabulous activities are planned to ensure our young learners have an enjoyable time learning.

During the last few weeks of last term we assessed our children against national attainment and were really impressed with our scores. We know that attainment at reading, writing and maths is only part of a child's learning journey and there is so much more to a child's education however, unfortunately these are the areas that Ofsted and the Government are interested in.

We want to share these figures with you -

Year 2

Maths - 70%

Reading - 69%

Writing - 59%

Year 1

Maths - 63%

Reading - 70%

Writing - 60%

We are well on our way to reaching our targets for 2019 - thank you for your continuing support.

From *Mrs C May*.

Sharing Events.

Thank you for supporting Farah in her quest to ensure children in hospital at Christmas get a selection box. It's such a lovely thought and I'm sure all the children really appreciated it. The selection boxes were shared between KGH and Oxford hospital.



Christmas Jumper Day.

Thank you for supporting our Christmas Jumper day for Save the Children. We raised a whopping £245.



Christmas Jumper Recycling.

If you have any Christmas Jumpers - adult or child size which you no longer need please donate them to us. We would love to recycle them. At our Christmas Fayre this year we will hope to sell them and make some money for our children's Christmas entertainment. Any jumpers can be left at the office. Thank you.

Attendance and Lates.

We are increasingly concerned about the children whose attendance has slipped below 94% - some children are now as low as 74%. We also have an increasing number of children who arrive at school after 9am. These children are slipping significantly behind their peers and their attainment is a real concern.

Some of these children find it hard to make friendship groups as they are so rarely in school. Children need to feel part of their class yet some are strangers to their peer group

In the new year we will be contacting all parents with children in these categories as their children's education is very important to us. Please ensure your child is in school and on time.

New Assembly and Drop in Mornings.

Starting in January our parents class assemblies will be followed with the parents being invited back to their child's class to see what their children have been doing. A chance to share children's work books, look at class displays and perhaps share a reading book with your child. (9am - 10.15am)

Visitors this week:

Wednesday - Martha Mullen Early Years Advisor.

PARENT CLASS ASSEMBLIES.

Please join us for your child's class assembly. Prompt 9am start.

DATES FOR SPRING TERM.

11.01.19 - Finland Class Assembly.

18.01.19 - Iceland Class Assembly.

25.01.19 - Orkney Class Assembly.

01.02.19 - Sweden Class Assembly.

08.02.19 - Greenland Class Assembly.

15.02.19 - Shetland Class Assembly.

01.03.19 - Norway Class Assembly.

07.03.19 - Lapland Class Assembly.

15.03.19 - Faroes Class Assembly.

22.03.19 - Finland Class Assembly.

29.03.19 - Iceland Class Assembly.

05.04.19 - Orkney Class Assembly.

Dates.

At our last Parent Voice meeting parents asked for a calendar of the year's events. Danesholme Junior very kindly shared what they send to their parents and we have used this as a template. Please find attached our next two terms events. We still need to add a Year 2 residential (probably end of March) and our end of summer term trips. Parents will be informed of these as soon as we have confirmation of dates. *Please note that due to unforeseen circumstances changes to dates may occur.