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Dear parent/carer

Welcome Back

Happy New Year and welcome back to what I am sure will be another super year here at Deer Park. We have a number of events planned throughout the year and we have already populated the Calendar on the APP and the Events tab on the Website. Highlights include an Internet Safety Week next month, a writing fortnight that includes two exciting trips to the theatre in March, an overnight trip to The Deep for our Year 3 and Year 4 children and a Sports Week in May.

Deputy Head Appointment

I have the great pleasure to inform you that following our search for a new Deputy Head we have appointed Mr James Dowse as Mrs Pymm's replacement. James, who is an experienced Deputy and is currently the Deputy Head at Longstone C of E Primary School, is really looking forward to starting with us following the Easter break and teaching in our Year 4 class.

School Admissions

The closing date for children applying to start at Deer Park Primary School in September in our Reception classes is Friday 15th January. Please apply through the Derbyshire County Council website or by following the link https://www.derbyshire.gov.uk/education/schools/school_places/default.asp

PTA news and dates for your diary

Happy New Year to you from all of the PTA. After a busy December we now turn our attention to our first event of 2018.

Curry and Quiz Night

On Friday 26th January we will be hosting a curry and quiz night. In a group or alone, you are welcome to join us from 7pm in the school hall. Tickets for this event will be sold in advance and will be available from 10th January from PTA members and the school office. Priced at £5 per person your ticket price includes quiz entry and meal, a licensed bar will be available. All profits will be used to provide activities for our children. Who will lift the trophy? Start your revision, gather your team and show your support by joining us to test your grey matter. Please note that this is an adult only event.

Future PTA Events

We will be providing more events this year to raise funds for the school radio project. We would love to know which of the following event ideas you find most appealing. Please indicate which events you would be most likely to attend by texting the letter (or letters) below to 07958306790. We will tot up the votes on Tuesday 9th January and start planning for you. Many thanks in advance for your votes!

- A. Beetle Drive - Family Event
- B. Cocktail making
- C. Magic Show - Family Event
- D. Themed Disco night
- E. Board Games Marathon - Family Event
- F. Fashion Show / Clothing Sale

And finally...

There must be times that you may feel bombarded with communication from the school and this week has been particularly busy. However, I do feel that keeping you informed about the changes to our approach to the teaching of spelling and the safety concerns about on-line use were very important for you all to be made aware of as soon as possible. So please forgive me and check your child's bag.

Take care

S.K.Beardall
Headteacher

