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Dear Parents/Carers,

Happy New Year and welcome back to term 3! We hope you had an enjoyable Christmas break. On behalf of all the staff, we would like to thank you for all your Christmas wishes, cards and generous gifts. You are incredibly supportive parents and we all appreciate your many kindnesses.

Over the Christmas holiday the new cabin was finished so we are on to the next exciting phase of furnishing it inside. We are hoping to complete it soon and we will update you as soon as it is ready to be used.

### Clubs in Term 3

The clubs list was sent out earlier this week and Mrs Taylor will be confirming places today or on Monday. Clubs begin next week Monday, 13<sup>th</sup> January and will run to the end of term.

### Phonics Workshops

Phonics workshops take place next week for families with children in Reception and Year 1. These sessions will inform you about how phonics (early reading) is taught at Barham and give you an opportunity to ask any questions. The Jays workshop is on Monday January 13<sup>th</sup> at 2:45 pm and the Wrens workshop is on Tuesday January 14<sup>th</sup> at 2:45pm. If you would like to attend, please wait outside the classroom door.

### Parking again

After a good couple of terms, we are disappointed to again have to report poor parking or waiting in front of the school and rudeness from parents when challenged about this. There has been an additional issue with someone blocking The Shrubbery entrance with their car this week being parked on the double yellow lines at the entrance turning, making it difficult for other cars to turn into.

May we remind parents that any and all parking/waiting on the double yellow lines and zebra zig-zags directly outside the school and in the bus stop areas is not permitted and is dangerous. Safety, especially of the children in our care is paramount and concerns us all. If you are parking or waiting in a prohibited area and are challenged about this, please refrain from rudeness and move to an appropriate spot. Thank you.



## Welcome to New Staff

This term we are delighted to welcome three new members of staff: Miss Eve Kelly who is the Hawks class teacher, Miss Anna Betts who will be supporting pupils in Puffins and Miss Shannon Evans who will be working as a teaching assistant in reception. We will be in touch with Year 6 parents shortly about a 'Meet the Teacher' session with Miss Kelly.

Have a good weekend.

Yours sincerely

Handwritten signatures of Alison Higgins and Jo Duhig in blue ink.

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