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Dear Parents/Carers,

This term has flown by. It is hard to believe that we are near the end of the term already. Next week is busy so please check the newsletter and class overview so that you and your children don't miss out.

### Phonics Workshops

On **Monday February 6<sup>th</sup> at 2:45 pm**, a phonics workshop will take place in the Wrens' classroom for parents. Miss Todd will demonstrate the different parts of a typical phonics lesson. Mrs Sharpe will be doing the same for Jays' parents on **Tuesday February 7<sup>th</sup> at 2:45 pm**. Please wait by the classroom doors if you would like to attend the session. If you cannot come, there will be information sent home to explain how phonics is taught.

### Drop-in Session

A drop-in session will take place on **Tuesday February 7<sup>th</sup> from 3:15 – 4:00 pm**. This is an opportunity for you to see your child's classroom and talk about their learning with them. Your child can share their learning in their books with you too. Prepare to be amazed at the progress made in children's books since September!

### World Book Day – Friday March 3<sup>rd</sup>

As the official World Book Day falls on a day when there is another strike scheduled (Thursday March 2<sup>nd</sup>) we have moved the celebration to Friday so no child misses out. This year, each child will be provided with a wooden spoon to decorate as a character from a book. Dressing up is optional but if children prefer, they can just come in their own clothes.

### Staff Changes

Next week is Mrs Thompson's last week in Wrens. She has been helping out with maternity cover and we are very grateful for all her hard work over the last three terms. Miss MacDonald is returning and will be working with Wrens every morning and teaching small groups of children in KS1 in the afternoons, particularly with phonics and reading. Miss MacDonald got married last summer and will now be known as Mrs Morgan.

Have a lovely weekend

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads 'Al Higgins'.

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