



Issue 010

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Dear Parents and Carers

Work continues to be interspersed with fun activities as we enter the last couple of weeks of the Spring 1 term. Today, pupils and staff alike are acknowledging LGBTQA+ day by wearing brightly coloured tops; they have been learning about diversity in PSHE lessons.

Chinese New Year

At Yarrow Heights, we celebrated Chinese New Year on February 1st, by adapting some Chinese traditions. Chef Janine cooked up a storm in the kitchen of Chinese-style noodles, black bean sauce, a mixture of spring rolls, wontons, prawn crackers and prawn toast as well as a salad bar filled with beansprout salad and some creatively carved fruit and vegetables.



All our pupils wrote peers a positive message and these were placed in red envelopes. At lunch time, whilst our pupils sat down to eat lunch, they were all handed one of the red envelopes to open. Many of our pupils were filled with happiness after opening their note with the kind words that were written in them.



After we had eaten our meal, we were all given a fortune cookie to open. Everyone read their fortunes before heading off outside to play.



Shrove Tuesday

On Tuesday 1st March (first day back for pupils after half term), Shrove Tuesday social will be acknowledged when we serve pancakes at breaktime.

Last day of the half term

We end this half term on Friday 18th February and hope that all our pupils have a restful week's break. We're going to start a new Yarrow Heights tradition on the last day of each half term and serve bacon sarnies in Breakfast Club.





Staff Starters and Leavers

As a growing school, our staff team will expand as we increase our pupil numbers. At Yarrow Heights we use social stories to share important information with pupils. Social stories provide information in a concrete way using the support of visuals. Attached is an example which we have shown pupils today, informing them about staff changes. We will be saying goodbye next week to Crystal and we wish her well in her new school.

Local Authority Transport

We are aware of some difficulties relating to some taxi groupings. We have passed our concerns onto the SEN Transport Department, and they are currently reviewing all groupings.

