We all hope that you had a wonderful Christmas with your family and friends and welcome you back to a brand new year!

There are a few changes to our staff team this term as explained in Mrs. Donley’s recent letter. We welcome three new members of staff to our Pre-school room for the spring terms, Mrs.Bray, Mrs.Holgate and Mrs.Groom. This is an exciting time for our nursery and we would like to thank you in advance for your continued support as the staff settle into their new roles within the team.

This Term’s Theme is Animals

Across the nursery, we will be learning about different animals including those found on a farm, in the jungle and in homes through stories, songs and rhymes. On the back of this letter you will find the words to Old MacDonald had a farm which you could help your child to learn over the next few weeks and join in with the animal fun!

Thank you to you all for your continued support with our fundraising events. The children saved their pennies and filled the Christingle candles to raise an amazing £82.70 for the Children’s Society. The Pudsey Bear Challenge also raised a fantastic £216 for Children in Need. Well done everyone!

The primary school application process closes at midday on 15th January 2017 and we are happy to assist you in this process. Please see Mrs.Taylor in the office to make an appointment.

We have noticed that more and more children are bringing in toys from home to show their friends. We would please ask you to discourage your child from doing so where possible as they can become distraught if their special toys get broken or lost. If they do need to bring something with them as a comforter, please encourage them to show their key worker who will then keep it safe until home time. Thank you.

School Term 2016/2017

Term 1: Thursday 1st September 2016—Friday 14th October 2016
Term 2: Monday 31st October 2016—Tuesday 20th December 2016
Term 3: Wednesday 4th January 2017—Friday 10th February 2017
Term 4: Monday 20th February 2017—Friday 31st March 2017
Term 5: Tuesday 18th April 2017—Friday 26th May 2017
May Day Monday 1st May
Term 6: Monday 5th June 2017-Friday 21st July 2017
A few reminders:

**Session Times**
- Morning: 8:45 to 11:45
- Lunch: 11:45 to 12:30
- Afternoon: 12:30 to 3:30

Please speak with your child’s key worker if you have to collect your child early on occasion.

**Spare Clothes**
As you all know, at Boston Nursery School we believe that 'The most memorable of days usually end with the dirtiest of clothes' and more often than not the wettest clothes! It is therefore important that you provide your child with a named bag containing named spare clothes to ensure that the fun and learning can continue. We go outside in all weathers to play in the sunshine, snow and rain so your child will also need named sun cream and hat, wellies and a warm coat, hat and gloves.

**Lunch boxes**
Please can all lunch bags and boxes be clearly named as many children have the same boxes with Paw Patrol and Frozen being clear favourites!

We are finding that many children are bringing so much food that they cannot eat it all. We do offer a snack both in the morning and the afternoon which always includes fruit and either toast, crumpets, crackers or breadsticks. This may mean that your child does not need as much for lunch.

**Pre-school Room and Little Owls**
Please ensure that you check your child’s ‘Going Home Box’ or ‘Going Home Folder’ at the end of each session for letters and art work!

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**The Boston Nursery School Team**
- Executive Headteacher: Mrs. Nicky Donley
- Base Leader: Mrs. Sarah Swords
- Senior Administrator: Mrs. Claire Taylor
- Business Manager: Mrs. Emma Booker
- Caretaker: Mr. Kevin Chamberlain

**Owls**
- Early Years Teachers: Mrs. Janet Holgate, Mrs. Emma Bray
- Teaching Assistants: Mrs. Monika Pyrzanowska, Mrs. Jackie Groom

**Little Owls**
- Childcare Assistants: Mrs. Lucy Copeland
- Miss Bethany Cooper
- Early Years Apprentice: Miss Jasmine Hills
- Midday Supervisors: Mrs. Nicola Patton
- Mrs. Emma Ladds