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Dear Parents/carers,

Welcome back to 2020! I hope you enjoyed some precious family time and managed to have a balance of fun and rest over the Christmas period. **On behalf of myself and the staff may I thank you most sincerely for your generous Christmas gifts, which are much appreciated.**

January is traditionally a time for looking back as well as forwards. Mrs Jennings and I were looking back in the school diary at what happened during the Autumn term and we were amazed at how much we managed to fit into three months! Here are some of the highlights:-

Oak class had a successful and fun filled visit to the Isle of Wight, children from KS2 participated in several sports events, and we took the children to see The Snow Queen at Hertford Theatre.

We raised £152 for Jeans for Genes and Children in need and a further £104 from our Bags to School collection.

The school roof was successfully refurbished without too much disruption, we replaced 250+ books following the library flood (thanks to all who contributed to purchasing these) and a 5 piece outdoor gym was installed in the playground (courtesy of a grant from the Great Munden Rural Community Fund).

Christmas took on a new look, with FoLM joining forces with the Christmas Tree Farm for their Santa's Grotto and tombola, raising an impressive sum and an after-school party with lovely gifts for the children (courtesy of The Mc Gills) was held. The Acorn and Beech nativity plays were charming, as usual.

Finally, of course, there was all the great teaching and learning that took place. Thank you to all pupils, parents, staff and others in our community who made the term such a good one.

The spring term has started well and Mrs Merry was delighted to have *fifteen* volunteer parents hearing the children read this morning. I am looking forward to seeing all the children progress in their learning, which has been carefully planned for this term. Acorn will be having great fun as Super Heroes whilst Beech will have Water as their main topic. Hazel will be studying electricity and places across the World and Oak class will be having a go at mystery and suspense writing, among other things.

Let's hope the weather stays mild but a little less wet so that we can resume our cross country runs. One of my least favourite responsibilities as a headteacher is having to decide whether or not to close the school because of snow. Whatever decision I make someone will not be happy. So – fingers crossed! However, in the event of inclement weather we have a clear protocol, which we will remind you of as necessary. Here's to another year packed with learning and fun.

Marina Breeze
Headteacher

