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### Spring Newsletter

Dear Parents and Guardians,

I hope this newsletter finds you well and that everyone had a restful and enjoyable festive period. As we begin the new term, I would like to take a moment to celebrate the wonderful achievements and events that have taken place at Awsworth Primary and Nursery School.

Firstly, I would like to commend the incredible efforts of both our staff and pupils in the recent Christmas Plays. It was clear to see the hard work and dedication that went into bringing these performances to life. The acting and singing were truly exceptional, and I must say they were some of the best I have ever seen.

In addition, I am delighted to announce that our indoor athletics team has made it through to the finals. The event will be held on the 18th of January, and we wish them the best of luck. Their commitment and teamwork have been outstanding, and I have no doubt that they will give it their all.

Furthermore, I am thrilled to share that our Year 6 football team has reached the semi-finals at the district cup competition. This is a significant achievement, especially considering it is the first time in many years. I commend the team for their hard work and determination, and I am proud of their success.

Looking ahead, I am thrilled to inform you that we have some very exciting news regarding improvements to Awsworth over the coming years. The details will be revealed in the upcoming term, so please watch this space.

Now, onto some important early notices regarding school matters.

- I regret to inform you that Mrs Standall has been unwell for quite some time and is not yet fit enough to return. However, we have seen significant improvements in her health in recent weeks, and we hope to have her back with us in the next couple of weeks. She is making progress towards a full recovery, but it is taking longer than initially anticipated. In the meantime, Miss Swali, whom the children are already familiar with, will be covering for her for the next two weeks.
- In terms of uniform and presentation, we have decided to combine our attendance rewards with the school dress code. We will be closely monitoring uniform compliance and rewarding the classes that adhere to the school uniform policy. This is part of our commitment to ensuring that our pupils are secondary ready when they leave Awsworth.
- I am pleased to announce that Acorn (Afterschool club) will now be hosted in Nursery (Roots). This change will improve provision and enable children to access better facilities during their stay. Breakfast club has already made the switch, and we have received positive feedback from parents, who find it much easier for drop off and pick-ups as well.
- I would like to remind parents to ensure that all absences are reported to the office either by telephone or via Weduc. While we appreciate parents informing teachers directly, there have been instances where messages are delayed or not relayed, causing confusion. Therefore, it is essential that all absences, holiday requests, and any other information related to your child's attendance or non-attendance are



communicated directly in this way. Further information regarding attendance is available via the website; [Good Attendance Matters | \(awsorthprimary.co.uk\)](http://awsorthprimary.co.uk)

- Lastly, I would like to remind everyone that the school doors will usually open at 8:40. The doors from the playground will be shut at 8:50, allowing teachers to begin their lessons promptly. If you need to discuss anything at length with your child's class teacher, please make an appointment at a mutually convenient time. If you are running late, please bring your child to reception so that they can be registered and ensure they have ordered the correct meal item for their lunch.

Thank you for your continued support and cooperation. If you have any questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to contact the school office.

Wishing you all a successful and fulfilling term ahead.

Yours sincerely

Mr Painter

Headteacher