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Dear Parents

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I hope you all had a wonderful Christmas and I wish you all a happy and peaceful New Year.

Children's Attendance

Last term, only 36% of children across the whole school attended every day. I would like to remind you of a few of the points in our Pyramid Schools Attendance Policy that you received in September:

- Every lesson counts;
- Whenever possible, please make all medical appointments after 3.30pm;
- Please ensure your child arrives at school in time for the register at 9am;
- If your child is ill, please let us know on the first day of absence;
- Please remember only **one** family holiday will be granted in any one academic year – that means even if you ask for a single day's holiday;
- Year 2 children will not be granted holiday leave prior to and including May, due to the Standard Assessment Tests being taken at that time.

All the local schools use the same policy. Thank you for your cooperation in working to improve our attendance figures.

Car Parking

May I remind you that we cannot accommodate parents' cars in the school car park.

Day Closure

A reminder that the school will be closed next Monday 12 January for staff training.

As always, if you have any concerns, please do not hesitate to come and see me. Just ask Liz or Teresa in the office to make an appointment. I am always happy to discuss any concerns with you.

Yours sincerely

Pauline Dukes
Headteacher