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11th January 2019.

Dear Parents / Carers,

Congratulations to our Gold Star Children this week who are:

Reception: **Cian** for fantastic progress with his handwriting.

Y1: **All of the class** for being so caring and considerate towards a new member of the class.

Y2: **Joel** for a fantastic start to the year, trying hard in all lessons.

Y3: **Jake** for an improvement in reading and for always being kind to others.

Y4: **Savannah** for excellent improvement in maths, especially arithmetic.

Y5: **Jacob** for showing a great positive and determined attitude towards his work, especially in his written work.

Y6: **Emily** for excellent writing in English using the slow writing technique.

Golden ticket winners: James Whitaker and Faith Cole



Happy New Year from all the staff: we hope that you all had a great Christmas and that 2019 will bring health, happiness and joy.

Applications for Reception 2019: please remember (or remind your friends) that you must apply online to the Local Authority for a place in Reception for September 2019 – we have an extra form in school for additional information, but this is not an actual application. Closing date for all applications is **January 15th 2019**. **To be considered as a Catholic child, proof of baptism must be provided.**

School Uniform: Visitors to school always comment on how smart the children are in their school uniform. Thank you for seeing that the uniform policy is followed. We are very grateful to the ladies who sell the nearly new uniform as this helps both parents and the school. Details of the school uniform requirements can be found on the school website:

<http://www.st-chads.dudley.sch.uk/uniform.htm>

After School Clubs: There are places still available for after school activities this half term. These can be booked through SchoolsBuddy. Clubs will start next week from Monday 14th January.

Mondays: Years 1, 2 & 3 - Gymnastics

Tuesday: Years 4, 5 & 6 - Basketball

Free School Meals: as this is the time of the year when many people review their finances. Can I remind you that your child might be able to get free school meals if you get any of the following:

- Income Support
- Income-based Jobseeker's Allowance
- Income-related Employment and Support Allowance
- Support under Part VI of the Immigration and Asylum Act 1999
- The guaranteed element of Pension Credit
- Child Tax Credit (provided you're not also entitled to Working Tax Credit and have an annual gross income of no more than £16,190)
- Working Tax Credit run-on - paid for 4 weeks after you stop qualifying for Working Tax Credit
- Universal Credit

Children currently in Reception, Y1 and Y2 currently receive Universal Free School Meals, which needs no application. However, if you think you may be entitled to Free School Meals, please apply as the school will receive extra funding to support your child if you are eligible.

Apply online at: <http://www.dudley.gov.uk/resident/your-council/council-tax-and-benefits/benefits/free-school-meals> or contact the free school meals team on 01384 814988.

Dates for your diary: has also been sent out today via Schools buddy

Enjoy your week,

S. M. Mason.