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### **Inspiring Changemakers:**

A big thank you to one our newer families for suggesting a fabulous Vaisakhi celebration. We all enjoyed learning more about this exciting Sikh festival. Lots of children wore orange and Phoebe cooked us a brilliant celebration meal. Thanks to Mr Singh for donating the rice and milk to make a traditional Vaisakhi treat of sweet rice pudding and for all the sweets he so generously gave to spread Vaisakhi joy to our school community.

#### Community updates:



This is a busy term for trips and residentials. We also have the annual village fete and sports day to look forward to. Keep an eye out for dates! We are excited to start transition work for our existing classes and new reception children and will be confirming staffing structures after half term.



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### What's new?

We are delighted to welcome Mrs Lake to our team. She will be teaching our Reception class this term. Mrs Fidler and Mrs Barkwill will be taking on slightly new roles as senior leaders whilst I support another school in the trust 2 days a week as a school improvement partner.

This will not have an impact on the day to day running of the school but if you do need to speak to someone and I am not available, Mrs Fidler and Mrs Barkwill will be happy to assist.

### Key learning this term:

This term, our wonderful year 6 students will sit their SATs and they have been working super hard in preparation. We know they will shine!

Learning across the curriculum this half term focuses on society and the ways that systems help society to run smoothly.

In Reception, the children will be looking at transport, Year 1 will learn about leisure time and Year 2 will learn about systems such as the NHS and the coast guard. In Year 3, the children will be learning about inventions and innovations while in Year 4 the focus will be on traditions, laws and customs. Year 5 will focus on spending habits and Year 6 will look at systems of governance.

Our focus virtue is thankfulness and we will be thinking about how lucky we are to live in such a safe democracy.