



Newsletter 6th January 2017

Dear Parents and Carers

Happy 2017! We hope that you all had a restful break with family and friends and that the New Year brings you hope, health and happiness. Already the evenings are lighter and we are looking forward to a haze of purple crocuses under the trees at the front of the school. Spring is on its way!

Learning for this term

All year groups are sending out their own newsletters but here is a flavour of planned learning across the school for this term. There is a clue on the page border...

Year 6 is 'Going Global' but year 5 is travelling even further afield to outer space.

Years 3 and 4 are also travelling but this time back to Ancient Egypt and the Roman Invasion.

Years 1 and 2 are being historians as well but this time focussing on our own beautiful locality with the odd King and Queen thrown in!

EYFS are sweeping the globe from the Polar Regions to Australia and learning about polar bears, penguins, koalas and kangaroos.

School improvement for this term

Last term we focussed on guided reading in KS1 and, as a result of this development work, are going to hold a 'Helping your child to read' workshop for parents on Tuesday 7th February at 5.30 in school. This will look at the complicated process which we call 'reading'

and how its different aspects can be supported in a range of ways.

'50 things to do before you leave Leyburn CP School' – local and cultural curriculum.

'This year we are looking to use more of our wonderful outdoor space to enrich the children's experiences while at Leyburn CP School. The National Trust have created a list of '50 things to do before you are 8 3/4'. In order to help the children to achieve the ideas on this list, we are creating a list of our own activities that we think each child should experience before they leave their year group. These range from making a mud pie to flying a kite - experiences that we believe every child should have! More information will be sent to you shortly about this exciting new project.'

Miss Burn

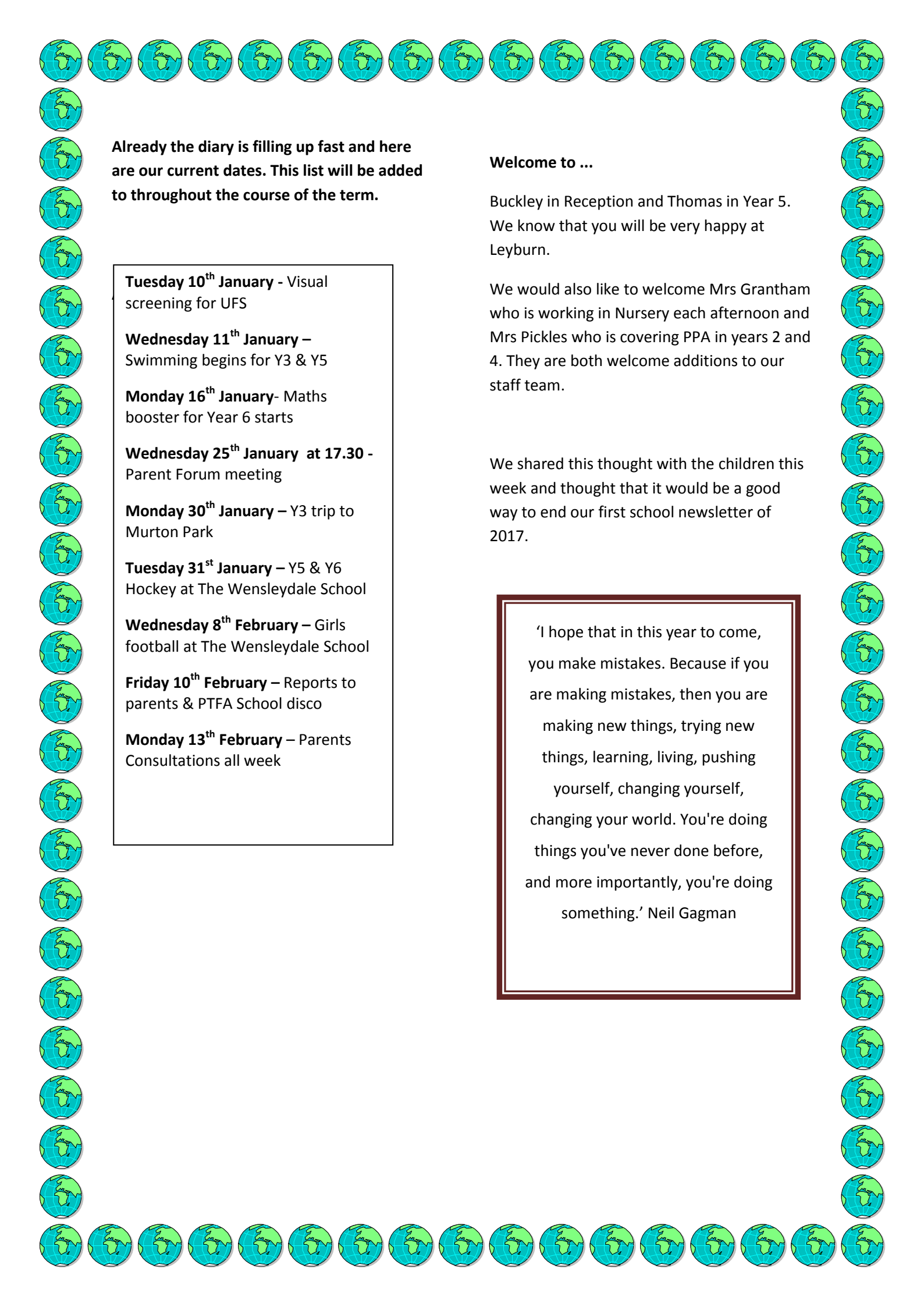
Polite request



Dog fouling is just that. It occurred this week on the pavement at the main children's pedestrian entrance to school so we would like to remind everyone: dog owners,

parents and children to be vigilant as treading this into school poses a serious health hazard as well as being quite unpleasant. Thank you!





Already the diary is filling up fast and here are our current dates. This list will be added to throughout the course of the term.

Tuesday 10th January - Visual screening for UFS

Wednesday 11th January – Swimming begins for Y3 & Y5

Monday 16th January- Maths booster for Year 6 starts

Wednesday 25th January at 17.30 - Parent Forum meeting

Monday 30th January – Y3 trip to Murton Park

Tuesday 31st January – Y5 & Y6 Hockey at The Wensleydale School

Wednesday 8th February – Girls football at The Wensleydale School

Friday 10th February – Reports to parents & PTFA School disco

Monday 13th February – Parents Consultations all week

Welcome to ...

Buckley in Reception and Thomas in Year 5. We know that you will be very happy at Leyburn.

We would also like to welcome Mrs Grantham who is working in Nursery each afternoon and Mrs Pickles who is covering PPA in years 2 and 4. They are both welcome additions to our staff team.

We shared this thought with the children this week and thought that it would be a good way to end our first school newsletter of 2017.

'I hope that in this year to come, you make mistakes. Because if you are making mistakes, then you are making new things, trying new things, learning, living, pushing yourself, changing yourself, changing your world. You're doing things you've never done before, and more importantly, you're doing something.' Neil Gaiman