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Dear Families,

Re: Term Ahead

Firstly, welcome back to the second half of the autumn term. I hope you have all enjoyed the break and judging by the conversations I have had with some of you at the school gates, many of you have gained much needed rest and relaxation.

I would also like to thank you for your support in welcoming our new staff to our school community. Your kindness and smiles at the end of the school day are much appreciated and have helped them feel at home.

I am constantly inspired and proud of our children and the high quality work they have produced both in class and in their homework projects. Their writing books are a particular highlight for me, imaginative, so well-structured and enjoyable to read. Examples of this wonderful work are currently displayed around the school and I hope you will have an opportunity to see them when you come to parents' evening or attend our other events.

This week we hosted an external Education Adviser and one of the many strengths she has highlighted in our school was our children's in-depth knowledge about History. It's very nice to hear this sort of praise, it confirms that pupils are becoming highly knowledgeable about history and have a good appreciation of how we learn about the past. One of the ways we will continue to build on this is by exploring aspects of diversity and its historical roots and legacy. For example, our children in Year 2 will look at the post-war arrival of West Indians, the Empire Windrush and its impact on Hackney. Pupils will visit local monuments and investigate how monuments are used in recording history. This work will culminate in pupils designing and making their own celebration of diversity, creating models and monuments linked to their ancestral background.

Needless to say, there will also be many exciting events as we approach the festive season. All these key events are listed on our school website. These will also appear in your Headteacher's Newsletter.

Finally, please feel free to contact **llangley@newwavefederation.co.uk** if you have any questions or you would like to arrange a meeting with me.

Have a wonderful weekend,

Best wishes

Nicole Reid

Executive Headteacher