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**Dates for your diary**

**January**

4<sup>th</sup> School re-opens  
8<sup>th</sup> internet challenge reward morning  
11<sup>th</sup> Y1 and Y2 swimming starts  
22<sup>nd</sup> After school clubs start  
24<sup>th</sup> Young voices Manchester for Y2  
26<sup>th</sup> Work of the month  
30<sup>th</sup> Reception hearing screening

**February**

9<sup>th</sup> End of half term

**12<sup>th</sup>-16<sup>th</sup> Half term**

**March**

2<sup>nd</sup> Work of the month  
19<sup>th</sup> last after school clubs  
29<sup>th</sup> Work of the month

**April**

**Thursday 29<sup>th</sup> March**  
**END OF TERM School close at 1.30pm.**  
**school re-opens Monday 16<sup>th</sup> April**

Parkside GGI Academy Newsletter  
'Nurturing, Developing, Inspiring'

Special Skills:

This month we are trying to work hard



Welcome back to all our families after the Christmas break. We hope you had a great time over Christmas and would like to wish you a very Happy New Year. If your contact details have changed, please inform the office.

**Christmas:** We had a fantastic countdown to Christmas in school. Winter wonderland was a magical day for all our children. We would really like to thank you for your support at both our story night and the bingo fun night. I am delighted to tell you we raised a total of £1,153.98.

**Attendance and punctuality:** As we start our new term can I please remind you how important attendance is and that you must let us know before 9.30am if your child is not going to be in school. Punctuality is equally important as our children begin learning as soon as they enter the classroom at 8.55am. Attendance letters will be sent home this week to children below the national average expectation which is 96%.

**Young Voices:** This term is really exciting for our year 2 children as we are travelling to Manchester on

January 24<sup>th</sup> to sing at Manchester Arena as part of the Young Voices choir.

**Swimming:** We are excited that this term year 1 will start swimming lessons. They will need a costume towel and a bag to carry them in. Reception will also start swimming lessons during the summer term.

**Internet Challenges:** Our Internet challenges have re started please try to take part each week. If your child completes at least 5 each half term they will receive a treat.

**Cold weather:** Please can I remind all parents that if the playground is icy in the mornings to not allow your children onto the play areas and equipment, as it can be slippery. Please also ensure your child comes to school with a hat and gloves.

If you have any comments, queries or concerns please do not hesitate to contact your child's class teacher or myself.

Mrs. Caroline Walker  
Headteacher

**What is your New Year's Resolution?**

**Reading at home with your child can transform their life.**

We have high expectations and aspirations for your child. What are your aspirations for their future? Make it your new year's resolution to listen to your child read for five minutes a night and share a bedtime story with them as part of their bedtime routine. There are lots of good story book suggestions in the entrance hall.

**January Blues?**

We know that January can be a very difficult month for lots of reasons. If you are finding things hard, please call into the school office no matter what your issue. We have connections with lots of services and agencies who can help you. Please do not suffer in silence.