



We choose courage
over comfort because
we know that 'the Lord
our God is with us'
(Joshua 1:9).

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Dear Parents and Carers,

As we come to the end of this first term, I want to take a moment to thank you for the incredible support you have shown—not only to your children but also to me in my first term as Headteacher. It has been a privilege to lead such a loving community.

Our school values—**Love, Forgiveness, Honesty, Courage, and Respect**—have been at the heart of everything we have done this term. I have seen these values lived out daily: in the kindness shown between pupils, the resilience in learning, and the respect for one another that makes our school such a special place.

This term has been filled with joy and celebration, particularly as we have come together for our Christmas festivities. From the nativity performances to carol singing and community events, your involvement and encouragement have made these moments truly memorable for the children.

Thank you for partnering with us in nurturing not only academic success but also the character and values that will guide our pupils throughout their lives. I look forward to continuing this journey with you in the new year.

Looking ahead to next term, here are some key dates for your diary:

- **Return to school:** Tuesday, 6th January
- **Year 3 Yorvik Trip:** Tuesday, 6th January
- **Year 4 Cromford Trip:** Wednesday, 7th January
- **Year 1 Nottingham Castle** Wednesday 28th January

On behalf of all the staff, I wish you and your family a peaceful Christmas and a happy, healthy New Year.

Warm regards,

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