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Dates For Your Diary.

Friday 9th December—Christmas Fair (doors open once staff have dismissed all children and are at their stalls ready —approx. 3.25pm)

Monday 12th December—Sponsored Rudolph Run for KS2

Tuesday 13th December — KS1 Christmas Performance at 2pm

Wednesday 14th December— KS1 Christmas Performance at 9.30am

Thursday 15th December - Sponsored Rudolph Run for EYFS, Years 1 and 2

Friday 16th December - **School closes at 2pm.**

Cheeky Monkeys will close at 4.45pm.

Christmas Jumper Day

On Wednesday, pupils can wear their Christmas jumpers (or Christmas T-shirts or dresses). School uniform is not required on this day.



Well done to the pupils in EYFS, Years 3 and 4 and Years 5 and 6 for their wonderful Christmas productions which they performed this week. I'm sure if you were luckily enough to see them that you would agree that they did a great job! We look forward to the Key Stage 1 productions next week.

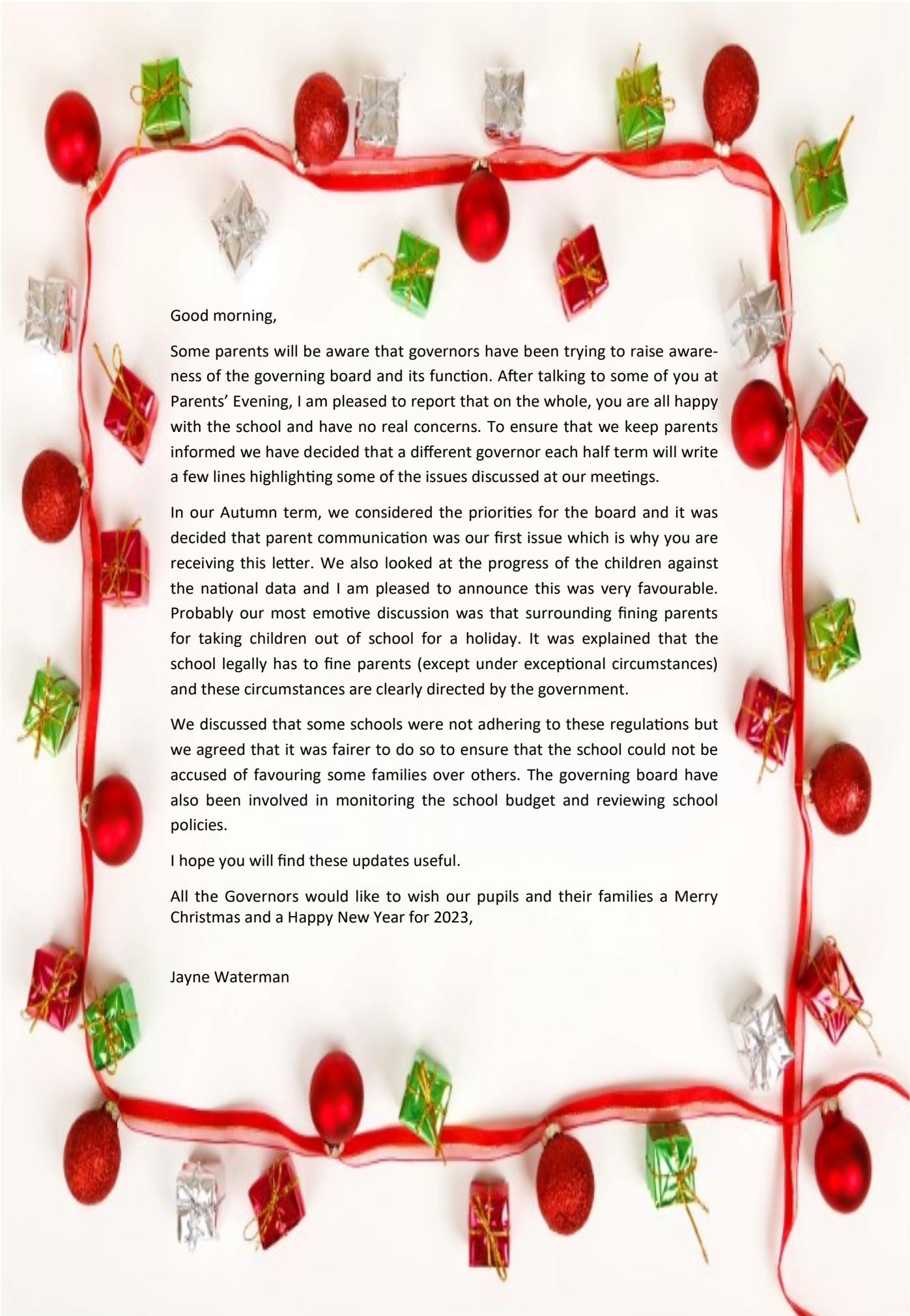
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Good morning,

Some parents will be aware that governors have been trying to raise awareness of the governing board and its function. After talking to some of you at Parents' Evening, I am pleased to report that on the whole, you are all happy with the school and have no real concerns. To ensure that we keep parents informed we have decided that a different governor each half term will write a few lines highlighting some of the issues discussed at our meetings.

In our Autumn term, we considered the priorities for the board and it was decided that parent communication was our first issue which is why you are receiving this letter. We also looked at the progress of the children against the national data and I am pleased to announce this was very favourable. Probably our most emotive discussion was that surrounding fining parents for taking children out of school for a holiday. It was explained that the school legally has to fine parents (except under exceptional circumstances) and these circumstances are clearly directed by the government.

We discussed that some schools were not adhering to these regulations but we agreed that it was fairer to do so to ensure that the school could not be accused of favouring some families over others. The governing board have also been involved in monitoring the school budget and reviewing school policies.

I hope you will find these updates useful.

All the Governors would like to wish our pupils and their families a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year for 2023,

Jayne Waterman