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To all Parents/Carers,

Firstly, may we wish you all a very Happy New Year! We hope you all had a lovely holiday and enjoyed the Christmas festivities. 2019 has already started with a bang here at Markeaton Primary and all the children have come back to an exciting, jam-packed term of learning and fun!

Year 1 have started a brand new topic, 'Amazing Me' and have created a beautiful 'Resolutions Tree' to display all their hopes for the new year.

Year 2 have donned their gas masks and started their topic about World War 2, looking at and discussing artefacts together.

Year 3 and 4 students might well be hoping for a holiday to Egypt this summer, having had the chance to look at modern day Egypt and study its tourist attractions.

Year 5 and 6 children (or should we say detectives?), have begun the year with an Agatha Christie inspired 'Whodunnit' story writing module complete with murder scene!



We also welcome Miss Waller to Markeaton who is teaching in Year 5. She is a fantastic, hardworking teacher, who is bringing lots of new ideas and enthusiasm with her!

Just to let you know that Mr Johnson, his wife, son and new daughter, Arabella, are doing well. He will be returning to work on Thursday 17th January. In the meantime, should you need to talk, please speak to Mrs Edge or Mrs Balfour instead. We will be happy to help!

To help 2019 run smoothly, please could we ask again for cars to be parked courteously in the morning. It is very important that we keep pupils and parents safe on their way in and out of school and we need everyone to do their bit to make this happen. Similarly, could you please ensure that the children dismount their bikes and scooters on entering the school yard and do not ride around at the start or end of day – they are very busy and congested times.

Lastly, our application to Tesco Bags of Help Grant Scheme has been successful. Details have been sent out via Parentmail. Please start dropping your tokens in the boxes in-store for our school to be in with a chance of receiving a grant for our Infant Outdoor Playground with Gym.

Thanking you for your continuing support,

Emma Edge and Emma Balfour