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Dear Parents/Carers,

I am pleased to enclose the term dates for next year, which have been set after careful consideration of how best to suit the needs of our children.

Senior Leaders have reviewed the length of the terms and the impact it has on the children's health and wellbeing. Our monitoring revealed that the autumn term tends to be one of the longest terms and the one in which the children tend to be poorly. We have therefore set a two-week holiday in October, meaning that the children will have the best chance to return to school refreshed and ready for the busy lead up to Christmas.

We also realised that, after the shorter Christmas holiday this year, the children returned to school very tired and were more likely to be ill. We have therefore adjusted the Christmas holiday very slightly to ensure that they have two weeks off.

In order to accommodate these changes, we have taken the same number of days off of the longer summer holiday.

Kate O'Connor
Head teacher