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Dear Cuddington Families,

I would like to begin this week's newsletter by saying a fond farewell to our Deputy Head Teacher – Mrs Potter. She leaves us today to start her maternity leave. Please join me in wishing her a restful 3 weeks (hopefully) before her new baby arrives to join their big brother 'Albie.' Good luck Mrs Potter and we can't wait for you to visit with your baby 😊

Mrs Potter has worked tirelessly to improve writing and spelling outcomes alongside the development of our Personal Development curriculum – she has developed secure systems for continued improvement so these areas are in safe hands until she returns.

On the same note, Miss Kennedy will start with Year 4 from Monday 27th November – I am sure you will all help to give her a warm 'Team Cuddington' welcome.

Next week, I will be in a position to share with you further staffing news as we prepare for Mrs Cobb to return from her maternity leave in February.

Maths at Cuddington

During the past few weeks, Mr Hutchinson along with our Teachers and Teaching Assistants have been taking a closer look at the way we teach Maths and sharing ways in which we can continue to improve Maths outcomes for ALL children. Last night during one of our Twilight Meetings, Mr Hutchinson took us through lesson design for Maths and ways in which we can ensure our children's maths fluency and problem solving is secured further. This process and its systems begin in Reception where the foundations for number recognition and understanding begins, right the way through to year 6 where this week they have secured their understanding of long division.

We are looking for a few family 'Maths Champions' to support some of our children to improve their number fluency and times tables. If you feel you have any time each week to support 1,2 or 3 children then please contact Mr Hutchinson on hutchinson@cuddington.cheshire.sch.uk This would mean meeting briefly with Mr Hutchinson at the beginning of January and helping our less confident children to develop into efficient mathematicians.

Next Thursday, Mr Bryan will collect our 13ft Christmas tree which has once again been donated by 'Frodsham Christmas Trees.' This will be ready to see on Friday 1st December in our Celebration assembly. I can hardly believe I am talking about Christmas trees already – however, Christmas songs have started, Christmas acting has started, Year 5 have started their DT project on building Christmas markets and planning is well underway for the whole school Theatre trip on 15th December (please remember to consent and pay on ParentPay for your child to attend by Monday 27th November! **Your child will not be able to attend if we do not have this**) Team Cuddington are fully immersed!

Have a wonderful weekend when it arrives!

Kind regards,

Sue Mills 😊

Head Teacher

