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School returns on Wednesday 4th January

FORTHCOMING EVENTS

Tuesday 3rd January	Inset Day
Wednesday 4th January	School returns
Monday 13th - Friday 17 February	Half term
Friday 31st March	School finishes for Easter. Children will finish at 1pm
Monday 3rd - Friday 7th April	Inset Days for moving into the new school
Monday 24th April	Inset Day - families will be invited to view the new school (more details to follow)
Tuesday 25th April	School starts

Dear Families

I hope you have enjoyed our Christmas Performances this week. Many thanks to Miss Standish and Miss Robinson for all their hard work in making these possible. This has been a lovely way to end the term.

We will be welcoming the children back to school on Wednesday 4th January where we will also be welcoming Miss Dixon as our new Headteacher. I will be moving into the Deputy Head role and will be teaching 2HB on a Monday and Tuesday.

We will be saying goodbye to Miss Codling at the end of this term.

She has been an important part of the leadership team, in the Deputy Head role and we will miss her knowledge and support. Miss Codling will be moving back to her permanent role at May Park Primary.

I hope you all have a wonderful Christmas and New Year. See you in January.

Heather Beach

Acting Head of School



Dear Families,

I am very excited about starting as Headteacher at The Dolphin School in January. I have really enjoyed getting to know some of the families and children over the past couple of months.

I will be on the playground before and after school each day. I will split my week between the Dolphin and Fairlawn site. Please come and say hello to me, I will be wearing my blue coat! Please be patient with me as I learn the names of the children and families, I am keen to get to know you all well.

I look forward to leading the staff team to continue to provide the best educational experiences for all children at the school. I have

met regularly with the Senior Leadership Team and Governors over the past couple of months which will help ensure a smooth transition. The Dolphin School is on an exciting journey this year and I am happy to be part of that journey.

I hope you all have a fantastic Christmas break and wish you a Merry Christmas.

Miss Dixon

Dear Parents/Carers,

It has been my absolute pleasure to have been more widely involved in The Dolphin School, working with you and your wonderful children has been an exciting experience. I look forward to sharing with you the successes of the school and our future plans; I will write to you by the end of the first week after we return. I wish you all the best for the holidays and I look forward to seeing you again soon.

Paula Shore

Food Bank Collection

Children from The Dolphin and Fairlawn Primary Schools collected food during one week at the end of November 2016 to donate to families in need at Christmas time. Donations were given to The North Bristol Foodbank, which is part of a nationwide network of food banks working to combat poverty and hunger across the UK.



Update Regarding EYFS Lunches

Thank you again for your patience and understanding as we have tried to find a solution to the lunch situation in EYFS. As you can imagine, lots of work has been going on behind the scenes and we are now happy to say that, as from 4th January 2017, hot lunches will be delivered and eaten on the Dolphin site. The food will be transported from CGS under supervision from the caterers and a lead lunch time supervisor.

One of the classrooms at TDS has been adapted to accommodate serving the food and providing a relaxing environment for the children to eat in.

We are looking forward to this change and know the children will benefit from not having to walk to CGS every day.

Year 1 Multisports Festival

On Tuesday 6th December Fairlawn School hosted the second Year 1 cross trust multisports festival against The Dolphin School. The two schools competed in 3 different sports and also meet other children who are part of CGST.

The children enjoyed taking part in Boccia, Kurling and Football and embraced the competition against each other. There was a lot of cheering and working as a team and the children had lots of fun learning new skills. It was a close fought contest with the two schools challenging each other to win the different activities.



Esme Seal receiving her award for winning the Bristol Libraries competition

Prickles the pygmy hedgehog came to visit 2P!

