

Newsletter Term 2: Issue 21

December 2023

Headteacher's Welcome

Dear parents and carers,

As we enter the holiday season, the unifying concept across all faiths and those with none are that of kindness and togetherness. With the ongoing conflicts in Ukraine and Gaza, the cost of living crisis, the Covid enquiry, and the lead into the winter solstice - the 'darkest day'- winter can feel darker and longer than ever. Despite this, we have seen our community demonstrating resilience - coming together through some amazing fundraising efforts for the British Heart Foundation and Macmillan cancer support. It was wonderful seeing so many of you in school for the coffee morning in September.

Another example of togetherness was shown throughout the Ofsted inspection, whereby your voices were collectively listened to, with the hard work of the staff team and pupils recognised. On this note, if anyone would care to include a positive Google review, please do!

I am arranging a termly coffee morning to enable parents and carers the opportunity to socialise and raise any suggestions for developing the school. Please add these dates to your diaries when the email arrives!

Have a wonderful Christmas or holiday season, giving our time to those in need where possible - sharing our smiles and spreading positivity.

I look forward to seeing you all again in January 2024.

Graham Richards

Notices

Blue Skies School Fundraising event raised £481 for

British Heart Foundation Charity

Thank you all for your kind donations.

Parents guide to TikTok, snap chat, whatsapp and e-scooters has been shared with you via e-mail. Please read as it contains useful online safety information.

Designated Safeguarding Leads:

Graham Richards - Headteacher - Lead DSL Sam Gracey - Senior Teacher - Deputy DSL Jo Higgins - Proprietor - Overseeing Safequarding

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<u>Diary Dates:</u> 08/01/2024 - students return to school

Birthday Wishes:

02/01/2024 - Sam G 05/01/2024 - Danielle 06/01/2024 - Muhaymin 25/01/2024 - Natalie & Aiste

Happy Birthday to you, from all at Blue Skies





This term, students took part in the school's fundraising event, traveled to Bluewater to do some Christmas shopping for family & friends, attended Rochester Christmas Market and had a lovely Christmas meal at Toby Carvery.



Well done for all your hard work this term and we will see you in term 3.



Have a restful holiday.



🦀 We wish you all Merry Christmas and Happy New Year 2024. 🦚

