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...be an example to the believers with your words, your actions, your love, your faith and our pure life

# Welcome back

I hope this finds you well rested and relaxed after a wonderful Christmas. On behalf of all the staff - Happy New Year. It does seem a long time ago now!

Coming out today will be the class brochures - these give you an overview of what your child will be learning across the Spring term.

We have a PE specialist working with us,
Nikki, on a Thursday. She will be leading the children each week through, initially, some high quality gymnastics.

We also have two teachers who are working with us up until Easter, they will be focusing on key children and supporting them on their journey! Mrs Gallagher works on a Monday and Tuesday and is working across Key Stage 2. Mrs Harrison is in on a Wednesday and Thursday and works in Woods Corner class. Both have been very welcome additions to our staff and I am sure you will join me in welcoming them to our school.

Obviously, you will be aware, our gentle return to term 3 was disrupted somewhat by a visit of HM Inspectors on Tuesday. We were last inspected in 2017 – we had what is known as a Section 8 Inspection. This is a short inspection to validate if the school continues to offer the same standard of education.

It was a very long, focused but interesting day - the staff and children were all amazing and the inspectors got to see the true Dallington. We now wait, for about a month, for the final report. Once the report is issued I am more than happy to discuss the process, judgement or anything else in more detail.

Just a final thank you to those who spoke to the inspectors or filled out the parental view.

## **Gazebo**

After delays for the snow, Christmas and few other glitches we are having a gazebo built on the astro-turf area. It will provide seating, a quiet area and most importantly some shade.

## **Resilience**

We have introduced a new learning power. We are focusing on resliience this term. We have the various aspects already happening but they are more academic focused – we wanted to look at resilience in all aspects of life. Our new Learning power is a penguinpenguins are one of the top ten most resilient animals on the planet. We have not yet finalised a name for him/her but I thought you would like to meet X.



### **Dates**

The dates for this term are below- they are also in the noticeboard outside of school. They will be added to the website over the coming days. Everything is subject to change and we will obviously let you know as soon as possible if things do have to change.

### **FODS**

**Shopping with Amazon smile and easy fundraising!** For all those winter shopping 'trips' why not sign up to these shopping apps. An easy way to raise money for the school at no extra cost to you!

https://www.easyfundraising.org.uk/ click on your favourite retailer and raise funds for our school.

When you shop at <u>smile.amazon.com</u>, Amazon donates 0.5% of your eligible purchases to FODS - at no cost to you.

Login once at <u>smile.amazon.com</u> and each time you shop our children will gain.

## **Upcoming dates**

Dates for your diary .... (will be updated regularly please keep checking)

#### **January**

12<sup>th</sup>

3<sup>rd</sup> Term 3 starts

25<sup>th</sup> Sports hall athletics – Brightling class

30<sup>th</sup> Just Different visiting

w/b 30<sup>th</sup> Dallington parental meals

**Bodle St swimming** 

### **February**

w/b 6th Woods Corner parental meals 7<sup>th</sup> Young at Heart – Bodle Street

22<sup>nd</sup> Netball tournament 10<sup>th</sup> Last day of term 20<sup>th</sup> INSET DAY 21<sup>st</sup> First day of term 4 w/b 27<sup>th</sup> Bodle St parental meals

#### March

3<sup>rd</sup> Open afternoon 2:30pm
w/b 6<sup>th</sup> Brightling parental meals
8<sup>th</sup> Parents evenings 3:30pm
9<sup>th</sup> Parents evenings 6pm
16<sup>th</sup> Big Dance – Brightling class
17<sup>th</sup> Comic Relief mufti
23<sup>rd</sup> Little Sing – Year 2
24<sup>th</sup> Welly Walk
29<sup>th</sup> Hockey tournament – Brightling class
31<sup>st</sup> Easter egg hunt
Last day of term

#### **April**

17<sup>th</sup> First day of term 5

#### Term dates 2022/2023

Term	Start date	End date
Term 2	Monday 31	Friday 16
	October	December
Christmas	Monday 19	Monday 2
school	December	January
holiday		
Term 3	Tuesday 3	Friday 10
	January	February
February	Monday 13	Friday 17
school	February	February
holiday		
Term 4	Tuesday 21	Friday 31
	February	March
Spring	Monday 3	Friday 14
school	April	April
holiday		
Term 5	Monday 17	Friday 26
	April	May
May school	Monday 29	Friday 2 June
holiday	May	
Term 6	Monday 5	Friday 21
	June	July
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