

19th December 2025

Dear Parent/Carer,

Well, that rounds up another term and another calendar year. I hope you're all well and managing to find some calm amongst the busy run-up to Christmas. As always, it continues to be a real pleasure to work with you and your children. I'll try to keep this brief, you're all very busy people!

We have a great opportunity for you as parents and carers to access a range of excellent online courses through The National College. These include high-quality e-safety modules which many families find genuinely useful. Even with the specialist computing curriculum and bespoke e-safety teaching your children receive in school, they can still be very vulnerable online, so staying ahead of the curve is always worthwhile.

You can register and explore the training here: <https://nationalcollege.com/enrol/foxwood-academy>

We know Christmas is hectic, and while some of you have been into school this term, others haven't managed it yet. Please remember you are always welcome to visit, meet us, and have a look around. Navigating the SEND world can feel overwhelming at times, and we are here to help—no question too simple or too complex. In the new year, our Family Liaison Officer, Angie Potter, will be in touch with more information about support, activities and opportunities.

I would also like to take a moment to formally thank Sarah Morgan, who has now moved from Chair of Governors into a Trustee role within the White Hills Park Trust. This means Suzanne Cannell will become our new Chair of Governors. Suzanne is an experienced governor and a strong advocate for children and families with SEND. She will be writing to you in the new year, and Sarah will continue to work closely with us as the Trust link.

We are excited—but also sad—to let you know that Anji Bonser will be leaving us this Christmas. Anji has been at Foxwood for many years and has had a huge impact on our children, our staff and our families. She is a genuine part of the fabric of this school. She will be taking up a new role with Pulp Friction, a wonderful organisation set up by an ex-Foxwood family member. It's great to know she will still be close by, and we hope to keep working with her in the future. We also say a fond goodbye and good luck to Aleesha who will be leaving to take up teacher training.

Before I finish, I want to acknowledge the staff who work tirelessly behind the scenes and are often the unsung heroes of the school. Many of you will know Ruby, Elaine, Marta, Aleesha, Sam, Daniel and Neil, who keep the place running smoothly day in, day out. In the kitchen, Wayne and the team prepare meals for our children with a level of care and commitment that makes a real difference. A huge thank you to all of them—we couldn't do what we do without this group of staff.

As always, remember we are here if you need us over the break, either by email or through the safeguarding phone number. It has been a long term, but a good one, and we look forward to seeing you and your children in 2026.

James Hutchinson
Headteacher