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Newsletter 16

Dear Parent/ Carer,

I can't quite believe another term has come to an end! The children have worked incredibly hard and have made some wonderful memories, inclusive of performing on stage, residential and trips, supporting charities such as Macmillan and Children in Need, going on imaginative adventures through their chosen class texts and many, many more. Children - we are so proud of each and every one of you and the progress you are making. Christmas is a time to show appreciation and take time for family, friends and those important to us and with this in mind, I would like to say a huge thank you to the staff and their ongoing care and dedication that they show each and every day to the children at Gagle Brook; we are so lucky to have such an incredible team! And, finally a big thank you to you as parents and carers for your ongoing commitment with home learning and getting involved with school events.

### **Staffing**

Sadly, we are saying goodbye to Mrs Burridge and Miss Saffron today. They have both been wonderful members of the Gagle Brook team. Children across the school have benefited from their teaching and I know they will be hugely missed by us all. We wish them all the best for the next chapter of their life and look forward to staying in touch.

I am pleased to announce that Miss Gray (Year 5) and Miss Montague (Year 2) will be joining us after Christmas. We look forward to welcoming them both to our Gagle Brook team.

We will also be welcoming Mr Graham to Gagle Brook in the New Year. Mr Graham will be joining us as Headteacher of Gagle Brook and Southwold, supported by myself as Deputy Headteacher and the Leadership Team. I know he is thoroughly looking forward to meeting families across the school after Christmas.

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#### Dates for your diary – January 2024

**8<sup>th</sup> Back to school - Term 3**

**8<sup>th</sup> Start of new enquiry question: Can we investigate?**

**10<sup>th</sup> PSHE Curriculum Workshop for parents: Years 1-5: 2.45pm (in school)**

**23<sup>rd</sup> Maths Workshop for parents Early Years: 9.15am TEAMS**

**25<sup>th</sup> Maths Workshop for parents Years 1 – 5: 9.15am TEAMS**

#### Dates for your diary – February 2024

**7<sup>th</sup> Our Learning Showcase' for parents 2pm (Nursery 8.45am)**

**4<sup>th</sup> Children's Mental Health Week**

**6<sup>th</sup> Safer Internet Day**

**9<sup>th</sup> End of Term**

**19<sup>th</sup> Back to School - Start of Term Four**

**19<sup>th</sup> Start of new enquiry question – What's between the pages?**

**21<sup>st</sup> PSHE Curriculum Meeting for parents: Years 1-5 2.45pm (Term 4)**

That only leaves me with one thing to say which is 'Happy Christmas!' Have a magical Christmas with your friends and families and please stay safe. We look forward to seeing all the children safely back in school in the New Year on Monday 8<sup>th</sup> January 2024.



Best Wishes,

Mrs Holloway and the Gagle Brook Team