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4th December 2024

Dear Parents/Carers

**School Support Advisor**

We are really excited to announce that there will be a School Support Advisor attached to our school starting this week. This is a new incentive that Stockton Borough Council have funded and we feel it will be a great asset. We would really like families to get involved with Emma, so come along have a chat with her and see how she is able to support yourself and your children inside and outside of school. This is a great opportunity to utilise this service so let’s keep Emma busy to demonstrate a need for this in the Clarences.

This week she is in the morning of Thursday 5th December and next week on the morning of 12th December.

On Tuesday 17th December she will be joining us for the Xmas coffee morning and raffle which will be the perfect opportunity to catch her for a chat.

From the 13th of January she will be in school every Monday morning.

The following is a brief introduction from Emma.

‘Hi, my name is Emma Hayes, I am a School Support Advisor within Stockton’s School Support Team (Stockton Borough Council).

I work with all Primary and Secondary schools across Billingham to offer extra advice and guidance to staff and families. Some of the topics we look at together are barriers to good attendance, inclusiveness, behaviour strategies, family support, being a confident parent and mental health.

The team has a number of School Support Workers who offer support directly to children and young people where appropriate.

I aim to be in High Clarence Primary on a Monday, following the Christmas break for one term. If you have any queries about support for your child or family please feel free to drop into school to see if we can help’

**Clarences Christmas Party**

On Sunday, 15th December from 2 p.m. to 4 p.m. there will be a fully funded Clarences Christmas Party which will take place in the school hall.

**This is only for children who attend** **our school and any younger siblings. Older children will not be able to attend.**

The party is being organised by people in the community.

**PTO for dates**

**Dates for your Diary**

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| **Date** | **Event** |
| Thursday, 5th December | Class 4 Ice Skating Billingham Forum  School Support Advisor Emma Hayes in school a.m. |
| Tuesday, 10th December | Class 2 – St Aidans Church ‘The Christmas Story’ |
| Thursday, 12th December | National Christmas Jumper Day – children can come to school in Christmas Jumper/T-shirt  Crafty Christmas EY 8.45 a.m. Parents of EY children are invited to stay  Crafty Christmas Blossom Room 2 p.m. Parents are invited to come along  School Support Advisor Emma Hayes in school a.m. |
| Monday, 16th December | KS2 Christmas Party |
| Tuesday, 17th December | Christmas Raffle and ‘**Fun**d’ Raising Activities in the School Hall – Everyone welcome |
| Tuesday, 17th December | Christmas Dinner  KS1 Christmas Party |
| Wednesday, 18th December | KS2 visit to Middlesbrough Theatre to see Snow White and the Seven Dwarfs  EY Christmas Party  Blossom Room Christmas Party |
| Thursday, 19th December | Santa and his elf will be coming to school |
| Friday, 20th December | Xmas Concert – 1.15 p.m. in School Hall – Everyone welcome  Break up for Christmas holidays |
| Monday, 6th January 2025 | PD Day |
| Tuesday, 7th January | School re-opens |
| Monday, 13th January 2025 | School Support Advisor Emma Hayes in school a.m. and every Monday until the end of term |
| Thursday, 16th January | McClarence (McDonalds themed) Lunch |
| Wednesday, 29th January | Chinese New Year themed lunch |
| Friday, 14th February | Valentines Day themed lunch |
| Friday, 21st February | Last day in school before half term |
| Monday, 3rd March | PD Day |
| Tuesday, 4th March | School re-opens |
| Thursday, 6th March | World Book Day |
| Friday, 11th April | Last day in school before Easter holidays |
| Monday, 28th April | School re-opens |
| Monday, 5th May | Bank holiday |
| Friday, 23rd May | Last day in school before 2 week half term |
| Monday, 9th June | School re-opens |
| Friday, 25th July | Last day in school before Summer holidays |
| Monday, 28th July | PD Day |
| Tuesday, 29th July | School closed for Summer holidays |

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