



Mrs Watts
Assistant Principal
Head of Middle School

Dear Middle School families,

Happy New Year! I hope that you all managed to find some time to relax over the break and enjoyed having some family time, out of the usual hustle and bustle of term-time.

It has been lovely welcoming the children back over the past week, reconnecting and hearing about their time off. I know that many have enjoyed the opportunity to catch up with friends and school staff.

As we look forward to another busy term, I would like to thank you for your commitment to the school and for your continued feedback to me about how we can continue to work together to develop; I look forward to seeing a number of you at our SEND forums, which began successfully last term. It was a pleasure to see parents and carers working together to learn and support each other.

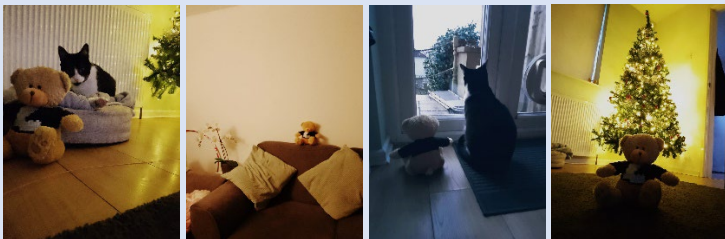
I look forward to seeing you soon! Mrs Watts

Sports Fixtures

We have a number of sporting fixtures coming up across Middle School and look forward to sharing the results with you shortly!

Attendance Update:

Congratulations to 7.1 for having the most improved attendance towards the end of last term and **thank you** to one of our Year 7 students, who ensured that Apollo enjoyed the break, keeping him safe, watered and well-fed. He even made a new friend!



We look forward to seeing who Apollo will get to spend the week with when we look at most improved attendance at the end of the week.

Middle School Values Focus

January



KOA Value
Be Kind

Learning Power
Emerald
(Resilience)



Value shared in Britain
Individual Liberty
Rule of Law



Key Reminders and Updates

Brook Road

Just a reminder that **Brook Road is closed to all vehicles from 08:25 – 08:50 and from 15:00 – 15:20** (blue badges exempt). This means that no vehicles should enter, be moving on, or leave the road. *This is to keep our children, families, and staff safe, so please respect this road closure.* Please also ensure that, when using this road at other times, you are parking respectfully (e.g. not blocking driveways).

Book Corners

Thank you to families who have kindly donated books for our new Year 5 and 6 book corners. Our children are very grateful! If you still have any Year 5/6 appropriate books (fiction, non-fiction, poetry etc.) that you would be happy to donate, please send these in with your children.



Year 6 and Year 8 Camps

Year 6 - Are off to PGL Liddington! Final spaces have now been agreed with PGL. Please contact Jess Ware (jess.ware@clf.uk) with any questions about payment.

Year 8 - Will be off on camp, too! We have now finalised costings with our providers and will be sending letters out very soon. Please keep your eyes out for these.

Upcoming Dates

11 January 2024	Road Safety Education – Year 8 Part 3 (Peer Pressure and Influence)
12 January 2024	Road Safety Education – Year 7 Part 2 (Distractions)
16 January 2024	Avon Fire and Rescue assembly - Year 7 / Year 8
29 January 2024	HPV Vaccinations - Year 8 students
5 February - pm	Sports Enrichment Afternoons: Curling - Year 5
5 February – pm	Sports Enrichment Afternoons: Curling - Year 6
6 February 2024	RNLI visit - Year 7 / Year 8
9 February 2024	Open Classroom Opportunity: Year 5 ‘Museum Tour’ Parents/Carers of Year 5 students, please come and see your children’s learning from 8.35am-9.00am. Enter through the Middle School gate.
22nd and 23rd February	Bikeability Training - Year 6
29th February and 1st March	Bikeability Training - Year 6
Term 4	30 girls to visit Renishaw – Year 8 STEM Trip
Term 6	Primary Phase (Years R-6) Sports Day Secondary Phase (Years 7-11) Sports Day