



Red Kite's Bird Watch

Dear Families,

A very Happy New Year to you all. I hope you have all had a lovely Christmas break and we are really pleased to welcome you back to the new school year.

It was lovely to see lots of excited faces yesterday as staff greeted pupils. Your children and young people are happy to back in school and have settled back in brilliantly. I can't believe I am starting my 2nd year as Headteacher at Red Kite. Last year certainly flew by!

This term we welcome our new CEO Sarah-Jane Astbury to Kingsley Learning Foundation. Sarah-Jane will be spending time at Red Kite each week so you will hopefully get a chance to meet her this term.

This term we also welcome Suzy Gerraghty. Suzy is joining us as an Assistant Head. We have also appointed Nikki Bowskill as an Assistant Head too and she will join us after the Easter break.

Sally (Assistant Head) is reducing her hours and will be working 4 days a week and Chris Walker (Family Support Worker) is reducing his hours and will be working 3 days a week.

Both Bonnie (Deputy Head) and Kate (Assistant Head) are expecting babies and will be going off on maternity leave soon. We are very excited for them both but will really miss them too. Bonnie will start her maternity leave after February half term and Kate after the Easter break. We are in the process of securing a secondment for Deputy Head whilst Bonnie is off.

We have seen very mild weather so far over the winter season and hope not to see any snow! In the event that the weather changes and this should happen I will of course try to make a decision about any school closures as soon as possible. This will be communicated through both Facebook and Dojo.

Dates for this term

Date	Event
Wednesday 10 th January	NO PENS Wednesday
Thursday 25 th January	Young Voices trip
Friday 2 nd February	NSPCC Number Day
Wednesday 7 th February	Safer Internet Day
Friday 9 th February	Chinese New Year celebrations
Monday 12 th February to Thursday 15 th February	Family Learning Week More details to follow
Thursday 15 th February	Disco Relaxed Session 1 - 3.40pm - 4.30pm Session 2 - 5pm - 6pm
Friday 16 th February	Break up for half term

Have a lovely weekend everyone.

Karen

