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Dear Families,

The half term has arrived following a jam packed 8 weeks of learning, visits, sports and fun – Road Safety Day, Live Music Now, Step into Sport, Harvest Festival, Coffee Morning to name but a few!

Each Department has put together a short newsletter to tell you about all of the things they have been doing this half term. This will be sent out at the end of each half term and if you would like anything adding, please let us know.

Building Works.

The work to update our main school's boiler has now been completed! It has had an immediate effect on the temperatures in the buildings which are now lovely and warm and are kept at a consistent temperature. We also had the hydrotherapy pool's Air Handling Unit replaced. This should make the air temperature of the pool environment always hotter than the water and should make it more comfortable for our children and young people when they are in hydro or swimming. We have been fortunate that these major building works have had minimal impact on our work in school. The funding for these essential works have been secured through a Condition Improvement Fund which the school was eligible to apply for now that we are part of the Nexus Multi-Academy Trust.

Employment Programme.

We are working in partnership with AdPro who deliver a Preparation for Employment Programme based at Addison Day Centre at Maltby. This involves working on job skills in a classroom environment with real life work experience in the fields of Catering, Grounds Maintenance, Caretaking and Retail. This programme is further enhanced by the involvement from Rose Aizlewood from the Job Centre Plus who has obvious first hand knowledge of the world of work and recruitment. Currently our 6th Formers are joining this programme and we are excited by the opportunities this will create for them.

Step into Sport.

On Wednesday 18th October a group of secondary and sixth form students attended a Youth Sport Trust event at New York Stadium. At the 'Step into Sport' event young people are taught by young Leaders to work as sports coaches and they also attended a work-shop given by a Craig McCaan, a Paralympian fencing and road cycling athlete. Our students learnt how to deliver Boccia, Kurling and Seated Volley Ball games to a range of community groups working with mums and babies, pensioners and children from Primary schools who attended in the after-noon and had great fun.

Dates for your diary:

27th Oct – INSET DAY (School closed to pupils).

6th Nov – return to school.

7th Boccia and Kurling
(secondary teams)

10th Nov – individual pupil
photographs

7th Dec – Christmas market

14th Dec – Key stage 2
Nativity

15th Dec – Key stage 1
Nativity

20th Dec – whole school xmas
dinner

21st Dec – 6th form Christmas
dinner

**22nd Dec – INSET DAY (school
closed to children)**



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Dates for Christmas.

Yes, it's that time of year when schools begin to plan for the Christmas festivities. Here are a few days for your diaries – I will add to these in this newsletter as they are planned to give you as much notice as possible.

A Christmas Carol...

Steve Barton is busy writing, producing and directing our very own Kelford version of Dicken's A Christmas Carol. This involves students from Secondary & Sixth Form and a whole range of creative arts including working with Charlie Barker, our musician in residence. The performances will take place:

Monday 11th December - 1:45 pm - 2:15 pm

Tuesday 12th December - 10:30 am - 11:00 am

Wednesday 20th December - 2:00 pm - 2:30 pm

Christmas Market...

The Christmas Market is due to take place on Thursday 7th Dec in the morning! Each Class Team has been asked to run a stall to ensure that there is a range of quality products to entice you!

Christmas trips...

Primary Classes - Red, Green, Yellow and Sunbeams are all going to Rotherham Civic Theatre on 12th December to watch Jack and the Beanstalk!

The Sixth Form staff and students are visiting The Drawbridge for their annual Christmas Dinner on 21st December!

Nativity Time...

Our Early Years and Primary classes are all taking part in our Nativity Productions where we welcome families to come along and watch...the dates are as follows...

Early Years @ Kimberworth (Little Explorers) – 21st December

Early Years at Kelford (Rainbows) Key Stage One (Sunbeams and Sparkles)- 15th December

Key Stage Two (Red, Green and Yellow) - 14th December

Whole School Christmas Dinner...

We will be having our annual Whole School Christmas Dinner on Wednesday 20th December

I hope you all have a lovely half term break and we will see all of the children again on Monday 6th November.

Yours sincerely

Jacky Tattershall
Headteacher