

# Blossom Federation

Daubeney, Sebright and Lauriston



23rd November

Dear Parents & Carers

With four weeks to go until the end of term.....there is a lot going on!

The school websites feature calendar dates for all that is coming up - concerts, fairs, grottos, performances, theatre trips, lunches and much more. This is such a wonderful time of year and we look forward to the fun we will have with our children, staff and parents. We are also starting to work on our second federation Christmas single. Colvestone, you are in for a treat!

I will also be preparing myself to eat four Christmas Lunches. If you have ever watched the Vicar of Dibley, you will empathise.

Our School Improvement Partner (SIP) meetings have now concluded and I am delighted to report how positive each of these were. Each Senior Leadership Team presented confidently and cohesively. Our SIP agreed with our self evaluations and the areas we are working on. This is really encouraging. Similarly, we had a really good One Day Review at Daubeney last week, once again recognising the huge improvements and developments in the school.

We have had, and are about to have, visitors across the Federation for various different reasons.

A group of Head Teachers from Essex spent the day last week at Lauriston with Mr Harris and the SLT to see how leadership has developed at the school. They were very impressed with leaders of all levels and Mr Harris had such positive feedback.

Ms Corpe and I liaised with the local authority about our ongoing discussions to develop an additional resourced provision at Sebright, utilising the unused Learning Space area to the side of the school - this is very exciting.

Mr Shamji, Miss Lucey and I are having ongoing conversations with Hackney Education to try and secure some additional funding for the school. This is working!

We have some VIP's coming to Daubeney next month to officially open *The Nest* provision....we are hoping that this may lead to some additional funding to develop the provision at one of the other schools.

I had a former Head Teacher colleague from Camden come and shadow me to see how our federation works. He was very impressed with the schools and commented on the 'strong leadership, high quality environments, happy children, welcoming staff and warm feelings throughout.' I was a very happy man.

Just to repeat, a reminder that on the last day of the term, our schools close early for the holidays at 1:30pm on Friday 16th December.

And, for your diaries, we have an additional Bank Holiday on Monday 8th May for his Majesty's Coronation. The term dates have been updated on our websites and calendars.

As always, don't forget, a reminder about our social media channels which will show you more of what goes on at the Federation @BlossomExecHT on Twitter and Instagram as well as the school Twitter sites:

@DaubeneyHackney

@SebrightPrimary

@LauristonSchool

@ColvestoneC

We don't quite have as many followers as Barack Obama or Cristiano Renaldo, but I am ambitious!

Have a great rest of the week

Yours sincerely,



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