

# **Head Teacher Message**

It has been another fantastic term at Belverdere Juniors. The children have enjoyed seeing Dancer and Prancer the reindeers, worn Christmas jumpers, had their Christmas dinners and enjoyed their Christmas parties. We are well and truly in the Christmas spirit, however, this has not stopped outstanding learning across the school.

Please take time over the Christmas holiday to talk to your children about what they have learnt, what they knew previously and also ask their views and opinions on their topic.

I would like to wish you all a Happy Holiday, Merry Christmas and Happy New Year. Children are back to school on Thursday 5th January 2023. A big thank you to all the staff who have worked hard on all our Christmas events, these last few weeks.

### Attendance to date!

Mercury	89.8%
Attenborough	95.2%
Singh	94.7%
Brunel	84.2%
Henry	94%
Asher-Smith	95.1%
Hawking	96.1%
Darwin	92.6%
Agard	89.4%
Chaplin	95%
Turing	93.9%
Zephaniah	85.5%

In order to maximise children's learning opportunities, coming to school is vital. Attendance this term stands at 92.5%, which is below the national expectation of 96%. Please ensure your child comes to school every day next term, even when the coughs and colds start to kick in!



Our 96% or above children enjoyed their movie afternoon this term.

### What is safeguarding?

## Safeguarding at BJS

Safeguarding is the action that is taken to promote the welfare of children and protect them from harm.

#### Safeguarding means:

protecting children from abuse and maltreatment preventing harm to children's health or development ensuring children grow up with the provision of safe and effective care taking action to enable all children and young people to have the best outcomes



Safe - Happy - Learning







How happy we are that we are now able to invite parents back into school to celebrate their child's achievements on at Friday at 2.45pm. Parents of children who will be celebrated receive a call on a Thursday.

### **Twitter**

Don't forget to follow us on twitter to keep updated with the daily life of Belvedere Junior School. @BelvedereTPA You can also follow The Pioneer Academy @ThePioneerTPA



### **Parent View**

We welcome your views. Please log in to Parent View using the following link to share your views about your child's school.

Welcome to Ofsted Parent View | Ofsted Parent View

## Staffing changes in year 3

This term we say goodbye to Mrs Hughes in year 3, who has chosen to leave at Christmas. Mercury class will have a new teacher to the school called Miss Malumbe and Mr Still will be staying with us in year 3 Attenborough.

I am very much looking forward to welcoming Miss Malumbe and Mr Still continuing the great work he has started with his class this term.

# Wellbeing

As a school, we have been focusing largely on how children and adults are feeling around the school. We noticed that some of the feelings that come with anxiety can also be found when we are excited, for example, butterflies in our stomach. There is strong evidence that indicates that feeling close to, and valued by, other people is a fundamental human need and one that contributes to functioning well in the world. It's clear that social relationships are critical for promoting wellbeing and for acting as a buffer against mental ill health for people of all ages. With this in mind, try to do something different today and make a connection.

- Talk to someone instead of sending an email
- Speak to someone new
- Ask how someone's weekend was and really listen when they tell you
- Put five minutes aside to find out how someone really is.





