



**Head Teacher: Joe Emissah**

Deputy Head Teacher: Alex Edwards

Friday 9<sup>th</sup> January 2026

Dear Parents and Carers,

Welcome back and Happy New Year. It has been great to see everyone returning with such cheer and energy after the Christmas break. Next week promises much excitement as we prepare for Hydrology Day on Friday 16<sup>th</sup>, which is linked to our STEM Study Project that was launched this term. Opportunities to extend and enrich the curriculum through stimulating and inspirational topics such as this, are a key part of what makes our curriculum unique. We hope that by undertaking projects that unify all year groups, families benefit from a window into children's learning in an accessible way. We appreciate your support and enthusiasm with children's participation in the dressing up part of this, which adds some creativity and fun to an already fascinating day of learning.

At the end of this short term, we will be saying farewell to Thomas Powe, our School Business Manager, who is moving to work in a school in Gloucester. We have been fortunate to benefit from his extensive knowledge, skills and commitment for over 12 years. He has made a considerable contribution in his management of the school finances and premises, bringing energy and positivity to his role. As with all leadership changes, we will work to manage this transition as smoothly and effectively as possible and will update you about the appointment to this role in due course.

We are pleased to welcome Miss Neale to the Year 2 teaching team in advance of Mrs Williams maternity leave later this year. Miss Swierzewska also returns to Reception this term following the departure of Miss Jones, who left us at Christmas as she relocated to Bath. We wish them all the very best in their new opportunities.



At the end of term, we will be running the second of the Parents' Evening appointments, where we look forward to welcoming you into school. The appointment request form is one of the few letters that is sent out in hard copy so please do look out for this in the coming weeks. We greatly value your attendance at these sessions, which support us working together.

We look forward to welcoming you into school for the parent evenings.

Yours sincerely,



Joe Emissah  
Head Teacher

