



KALEIDOSCOPE

Multi Academy Trust

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Dear Parent/Carer,

As we come to the end of another school year, I wanted to make you aware of some of the changes, successes and the huge amount of work that has taken place across Kaleidoscope and its schools this year and some changes for next year.

Ofsted Inspections

We are delighted that Christ Church and Crockerne Primary Schools underwent positive Ofsted Inspections this year. Congratulations to the staff, Governors and pupils of these schools for your successful outcomes.

Kaleidoscope Pupil Events

There have been many opportunities and events over the year for children from across the MAT to come together.



These have included - a Year 6 event at Hutton, Spelling Bee, Maths Festival and various sporting events including Dodgeball, Speed Stacking and Athletics,

It has been wonderful to see the children mixing and taking part in the events together.

Staff Collaboration

One of our Kaleidoscope founding principles is to enable staff to work together to share expertise and develop best practice which forms our approach across our MAT. This has been done through Networks and joint staff meetings and our January INSET Day. This community of expertise ensures that our teaching, curriculum, approach to SEND and wellbeing follows the



latest, research/evidence-based practice to ensure that the experience we offer our pupils is a high quality one.

Leadership Changes

Recruitment in general is very challenging currently and recruiting Headteachers/Senior Leaders is even more challenging.

Next year, there will be some leadership changes for many schools in Kaleidoscope. The arrangements for next year are listed below.

Ashcombe - Mr Penny will be Headteacher and Mrs Evans will be Deputy Headteacher, Mr Burditt will continue as Assistant Headteacher

Christ Church - Mr James will be Acting Headteacher, Mrs Clarke will continue as Deputy Headteacher

Crockerne - Mrs Bray will be Headteacher, Mrs Crutchley and Mr Hill will continue as Assistant Headteachers.

St Martin's and **Worle Village** - Mrs Elliott will be Executive Headteacher across the two schools and Mrs Thomas will be Head of School for St Martin's and Mrs Jones will be Head of School at Worle Village.

Becket and **Hutton** will have no senior leadership changes for September- Mrs Amos will continue as Executive Headteacher across the two schools with Mrs Bembridge as Head of School at Becket and Mrs Whiting as Head of School at Hutton.

I would like to thank Mrs Elliott for her Acting Headteacher role at Crockerne and to Mr Penny and Mr James for covering as Acting Headteachers at St Martin's and Worle Village this year.

Estates Successes

The successful Emergency Funding Bid at Ashcombe has meant that the new extension build is making good progress and due to be completed by April 2024.

Ashcombe have also officially opened their Literacy Hub, which has been fully funded by the Hargreaves Lansdown Foundation - who have also funded additional literacy support and training for the school.

Christ Church was successful in a Condition Improvement Fund bid to update its heating system.

Crockerne will have some modifications over the summer to create a Nurture Hub - this work has been supported by North Somerset Council.

Although we celebrate the above successes, some bids we made were not successful and we will apply again for the funding of these works next year. School budgets do not provide sufficient funds to undertake major improvements to schools' sites/premises and the bid process is the mechanism to gain the necessary funding to carry out these works.

Long Term Staff Leavers

Ashcombe

John Clark Headteacher at Ashcombe for 6 years (John was Headteacher at Becket for nearly 9 years before this)

Jackie Millier 10 years

Bev Robinson 8 years

Angela Doyle 5 years

Christ Church

Emma Bray leaves Christ Church after 20 ½ years as a teacher, Deputy Headteacher and Headteacher. Emma will be Headteacher at Crockerne.

Crockerne

Caroline Withers 30 years.

Bev Sykes 25 years

Hutton

Jane Storer retiring after 17 years

Julie Lewington LSA 30 years

Julia Dexter (left at Easter) after 8 years

Justine Kuht retiring after 18 years

Trudy Cowton retiring after 9 years

St Martin's

Karen Evans retiring after 11 years.

For all staff leaving us this term, I would like to thank you for your hard work, commitment and contribution to your schools.

Thank you to Staff, Governors, Trustees and Members

I would like to say a huge thank you to our staff, who work tirelessly to deliver high quality education and pastoral support to the children and families at our schools. I would also like to take this opportunity to thank our Governors, Trustees and Members who work hard, often behind the scenes to support, develop and implement policy, procedures, conduct checks at local schools and at a wider MAT level in the case of Trustees and Members. Our Church schools are also well supported by the Diocese and local Churches.

Pupil Goodbyes

Our Year 6 children are ready to move onto the next stage of their education. We say goodbye to them and wish them well in their new schools. I hope they take many happy memories away

with them from their time in their Primary Schools. Also, goodbye and good luck to the children from other Year groups who are leaving at the end of this term.

Finally, on behalf of the Trust, I would like to thank you - parents and carers for your support this year. I hope that you have a chance to enjoy some sunshine and quality time over the summer.

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'S.G. Marriott', with a horizontal line underneath.

Simon Marriott
(CEO Kaleidoscope MAT)