

Fishergate Newsletter 9

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I am very pleased to be able to let you know that, following my plea in the last newsletter we now have a new parent governor. Anna Last has three children in school and involves herself in school life as much as possible. I know that she is going to be a very valuable member of our governing body and I am looking forward to working with her.

Another welcome this week goes to Jessica Swift who has joined the KS1 team as a teaching assistant in David Pennington's class. Jess joins us from Westfield and has a huge amount of skill and experience — she is really going to enhance an already very strong team and we are very lucky that she has chosen to come and work at Fishergate. My final piece of news on the staffing front is that Jo Heyes has moved upstairs to work with the Year 5/6 classes. Jo is such a multi-talented and adaptable teaching assistant and I know that everyone upstairs is delighted that she has come to join them.

I would just like to take some time to reflect on last week's snow days. Firstly, thank you to all of you who wrapped up warm and battled through the snow to get to school. I am very proud that we managed to stay open for the whole week – the only reason that it was possible is because all of the adults whose commitment to our children is second none. I am sure that you all know my feelings about what a wonderful place Fishergate is to work and learn and the way in which everyone rallied around last week just confirmed what I already knew. We carried on despite frozen water pipes which meant the oven in the kitchen wouldn't work properly, water coming through the ceilings of two of the upstairs classrooms and the other logistical problems that snow causes. Thank you to the whole of the staff team. A final thank you to the Mums who helped to protect the carpet in the entrance hall from all of the slush and grit that got walked in and who gave up their time to mop the lower hall. You know who you are and so do I!

SCHOOL DISCO - FRIDAY 16TH MARCH

The Easter-Hop Fishergate School Disco is coming! Join us on **Friday 16th March** for a live DJ, dancing, games, glow sticks, snacks + Easter raffle. We also have a quiet room for parents (yes!) which will be serving tea + coffee.

Tickets are £1 including free squash + water for the evening.

Party Times: **KS1 6-7pm KS2 7.15-815.** We look forward to seeing you there!

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OUTSTANDING LUNCH ACCOUNTS

There are far too many outstanding lunch accounts at present. School CANNOT be responsible for covering unpaid lunches. Please can I ask that lunch accounts are kept up to date.