

# Happy New Year 2020



## Christmas Activities

We had a lovely last week before Christmas. The whole school visited St James Church for the Christingle Service and the auditorium for the Pantomime and our children made us very proud. The behaviour from all was impeccable. Well done Elliston!

## Behaviour of adults on school site and on social media

You may be aware that we have had some incidents with parents/carers being aggressive and/or using inappropriate language on school site. We apologise if your children have been subjected to this while being in the vicinity of any such incidents. We want to reassure you that we do not tolerate such behaviour. Any acts of aggression and bad language is treated very seriously and, where necessary, we use school site bans and police involvement and will continue to do so for the safety and well-being of our children, staff and parents.

This view on appropriate and respectful behaviour also extends to social media. Any derogatory comments that name school, children or staff will be also be taken very seriously. The following is from the Trust regarding this matter.

*The Enquire Learning Trust and Elliston Primary Academy take the inappropriate use of social media by parents/carers very seriously. The Trust considers the use of social media websites being used in this way as unacceptable and not in the best interests of the children or the whole school community.*

*In the event that any pupil or parent/carer of a child/ren being educated at Elliston Primary Academy is found to be posting libellous or defamatory comments on Facebook or other social network sites, they will be reported to the appropriate 'report abuse' section of the network site. All social network sites have clear rules about the content which can be posted on the site and they provide robust mechanisms to report contact or activity which breaches this.*

## ACE Club

Our after school club continues to be very popular—if you would like to book a place please contact the school office. Hours are 3.20pm—5.15pm

## Staffing

We welcome Miss Ellis Teasel to our teaching team in Lynx class. She is absolutely over the moon to be joining Elliston and we are very lucky to have her.

## Reading Reminder

You will know that Elliston believes that reading is very important. By encouraging your child to read 10 minutes a day, it can lead to great progress.

## Attendance

**We'd like to thank all parents for getting their children into school and for being on time!**

Reminder: We are always available to listen to your concerns/worries/complaints. Mrs Shields, Mrs Patterson, Mrs Coates and Mrs Hardie are out in the playground most days for Meet and Greet and would be happy to talk to you at any time. Otherwise you can contact the school office to make an appointment.

*Please do not hesitate to approach and ask—'a problem shared is a problem halved'*