

## Learning together, growing together

## Dorin Park School and Specialist SEN College

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## Headteacher's End of Autumn Term Update

Dear Families,

What a fun-filled run-up to the Christmas Break we have had this December! This week we have had an excellent performance of The Grinch from our Seniors classes, and a joyful Christmas Show from our Primary classes. Thank you to all families who came to watch and to our PTA staff and parents who welcomed families to our performances with refreshments.

Our annual Christmas Market and Santa visit was very successful last week, with enterprise stalls and hot chocolate, and lots of happy faces all round. Thank you to Santa Jay and his Elf, who always bring the magic! We have also had a Christmas quiz and disco, and a beautiful Christmas Dinner. We don't do Christmas by halves at Dorin Park!

The PTA volunteered again on Wednesday to judge our recycled Christmas Tree competition, please take a look at some of our fabulous winners below!





As you know, I am off to pastures new in January. I would like to take the opportunity to say thank you to the whole school community for your support for our amazing school. It has been a great privilege to be Headteacher at Dorin Park for the last three years, and I know that it is in good hands for the future.

Susan Carroll, School Business Manager, is also leaving. Our immense thanks and we all wish her the best of luck!

Next term, the leadership team will be as follows:

- Sarah Adam Acting Headteacher
- Jane Rowlinson Acting Deputy Headteacher
- Helen McGillivray Assistant Headteacher Seniors Pastoral Lead
- Alicia Dooley and Steph Williams Co-Assistant Headteachers Primary Pastoral Leads
- Richard MacLaren School Business Manager

Alicia and Steph will continue as lead class teachers in Bay and Pear respectively, assisted by Sue Holmes as part-time teacher in Bay, and Chloe Shea as part-time teacher in Pear.

Sarah Adam will welcome learners back to school on Wednesday 3<sup>rd</sup> January, and I wish you all a very special Christmas break and a Happy New Year.

Yours sincerely

