

# Bournville School and Sixth Form Centre

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Dear Parents and Carers

It is difficult to believe that Christmas has come round again already. As I write, the brass band are practising music for the Christmas show and Elgar foyer resounds to the seasonal sound of their skilled playing.

Music has once again been a highlight of the term – if you look at the Warwickshire County Cricket Club website you will see how thrilled they were with the performance we gave for their Christmas celebrations. But it is not just in Music that we have done well – there are so many things to celebrate – another important highlight of the year was the Science Ofsted inspection which determined that Science at Bournville is “good” – a small word but a very significant marker in our story.

We have three staff leaving at Christmas – we are sad to see them go but we understand their reasons. James Foster (Geography) is leaving us to start at Hillcrest in January as Assistant Head. I don't think it is giving away any secrets to say that Mr Foster is a very young member of staff who has done extremely well to secure such a senior post so soon in his career. Richard Burton (Science) and Tom Brookes (Music) are also leaving as family commitments call them to other parts of the country (Cambridge and Staffordshire). Although they are both relatively new members of staff they have both made a big impression and sadness on all sides at their going.

There is a lot to look forward to in the new year, and just a reminder that many of our youngsters (you know who you are!) have external GCSE exams when they come back so they need to plan in their revision amid the celebrations and activities of the holiday.

It only remains for me to wish you all a joyous Christmas and a peaceful new year.

Yours sincerely

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