



Happy New Year

We would like to wish a very happy (if a little belated) new year to all our pupils and their families. Let's hope it's a great one for us all.

Parent Conferences

Thanks to parents who have attended parent conferences this week. These meetings are a vital tool in helping us to help our pupils reach their full potential. Meetings will continue next week. If you were unable to meet at the scheduled time, please make sure to contact the school to rearrange your meeting with your child's class teacher.

Parent workshops

Thanks to all parents who attended today's workshop led by the EYFS team. There will be a workshop for parents of children in Nursery on Tuesday 26th January from 9am looking at the Talk Boost programme. There will also be a workshop for parents on Friday 29th January at 9am looking at reading in KSI with Mr Parkhouse.

Open Class Morning

There will be an Open Class morning on Thursday 21st January. Classes will be open to parents between 9-10am to give an opportunity to see learning in action. If you are able to, please do come along.

Scholarships at the Royal College of Music

On Saturday, four pupils from Year 5 were officially enrolled at [The Royal College of Music](#). The children were chosen as the result of a number of selection workshops which took place over the course of last term and will receive up to 6 years of fully-funded tuition at RCM. Katie said, "I love playing the saxophone. Every Saturday, we go to the Royal College of Music and take part in a singing choir. Then, we do a music theory lesson, which is helping us to learn to read music, and then we go to the sax lesson. After that, we get to take our saxophones home to practise."

RCM was last week named as the top Conservatoire in the UK and boasts such notable alumni as Benjamin Britten, Gustav Holst, John Williams and Mika. This is an exciting

opportunity and we look forward to these pupils developing their interest and skill in their future lives.



Scooters

Please note that scooters left in the bike parking area in the playground are left at the risk of the owner. While the school is locked from 9:00-15:30, the playground is accessible outside of these hours. We advise that scooters should be locked for extra security. There have been instances of scooters going missing so please take precautions if your child comes to school on a scooter.

Farewell

We are sad to see the departure of Miss Gibson from Ark Brunel today. Miss Gibson has been with us since opening and has played a huge part in the development of many children at Brunel. She leaves to begin a new chapter in her life in a very lucky school closer to her hometown in the north. We will miss her very much and send our very best wishes with her.



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