

# **Baskerville School Newsletter**



**9 January 2015** 



### **Dates for Your Diary**

Happy New Year to everyone! We hope you had a good Christmas holiday.

Dates to note for this term:

**Staff Training Days** - Friday 23 January and Monday 23 February (School closed to students)

Parents / Carers Evening - Wednesday 4 March

Easter Holiday - Two weeks starting 30 April (students return on Monday 13 April)

# No Computer Breaks

The New Year starts with a new initiative by Edyta, our PE teacher. Every Thursday lunchtime, students will not have access to computers. Instead, they are offered a host of activities run by members of staff. These include football with Nigel and Sam, trampolining with Edyta, relaxation with Tracey, craft with Katie and outdoor games with Phill. These are in addition to the Story Club with Katie on Monday, the Multi-Sports Club with Steve and the Drum Club with Jonathan on Friday. We hope that by offering alternative activities, students will spend less time sitting down in front of a computer and more time enjoying active pursuits that are beneficial to their well being. All students are welcome to join any of the clubs.

Well done to Edyta for coming up with such a good idea and for co-ordinating the various clubs and also thank you to all the members of staff who volunteered to run the clubs during their lunch hour!

# **TERM DATES**

2014/2015

#### Spring Term

Monday 5.1.15 to Friday 13.2.15

#### **HALF TERM**

Tuesday 24.2.15\* to Friday 27.3.15 (Students will go home at 2.30 pm on the last day of term)

\* Staff training day on Friday 23.1.15 and Monday 23.2.15. School will be closed to students.

#### **Summer Term**

Monday 13.4.15 to Friday 22.5.15

#### **HALF TERM**

Monday 1.6.15 to Monday 20.7.15 (Students will go home at 2.30 pm on the last day of term)

# Education, Health & Care (ECH) Plan Update

All Yr 14 students have had their Statements converted to EHC Plans which have all been sent to SENAR for action. All Yr 11 students have had their pre-conversion meetings and the actual conversion meetings will take place this half term. Sharon Woolley, our Inclusion Manager will contact Yr 9 parents shortly to organise pre-conversion meetings during this term. Many thanks to everyone who has contributed to the plans, including parents, staff, professional services and respite providers, agencies and students, and a big WELL DONE to Sharon who has worked so hard to make sure that each student has a plan that fully reflects their strengths and needs.

# **Special Needs Dental Service**

The Combined Community Dental Service provides specialist NHS dental services in Birmingham, Sandwell, Dudley and Walsall for people who have difficulties accessing dental services, including adults and children with special needs and learning disabilities. The service provides home visits and sedation for patients who need them. To find out more, call 0121 466 7138 or go to: www.bhamcommunity.nhs.uk/about-us/clinical-services/specialist-services/combined -community-dental-service/

