



# From Head to Home



Thursday 18<sup>th</sup> December 2025

Dear Parents and Carers,

It is hard to believe that we are nearly at the end of our first term and Christmas is only days away! I hope that you are well and festive preparations are going to plan. Having little ones around the home brings such a buzz of excitement and some mischief with those elves!

It has been a lovely time in school, especially with the rehearsals for our performances. I have to say... watching each production was fantastic! I was absolutely blown away by the children's confidence, ability to memorise lines, sing so beautifully and generally have so much fun. Like I mentioned at the Key Stage 2 performance, as staff, we are so lucky to be able to enjoy being with the children, especially at this time of year! Thank you to all of our families who were able to come along to the productions as well as for the very kind contributions towards our School Fund. We are hoping to use the money raised to purchase a sensory street circuit within our school grounds. Sensory circuits are a fun way of staying fit, having fun with friends as well as providing great opportunities for regulation. Fingers crossed, we can get the ball rolling with this lovely project in January.

As the term ends, we would like to thank Miss Robertson, our Lighthouse teacher, who will be leaving her post to begin a new role as Assistant SENCO. Hannah has brought lots of experience to Seaton Sluice; the children, families and staff have enjoyed working with her. She has also learnt a lot from our school and assures me that she will continue singing some of our school songs at home with her daughter! We would like to thank her and wish her well for her new ventures. Following a successful recruitment process, Governors have appointed Miss Amy McCowie as our new Lead SEND teacher. She will join us after the Easter holidays. In the meantime, Mrs Walsh will continue to lead alongside Miss Hall. Year 4 will be covered by Mrs Charlotte Watson (every Monday and Tuesday) with Mrs Collins covering an additional morning (Wednesday).

Please remember that school is closed for training on **Monday 5<sup>th</sup> January**. Staff will be taking part in some new training based on an approach called 'Jabadeo'. This will enhance our understanding of child physical development and the importance of having developmental movement play areas within Early Years and to support our SEND learners. We are really excited to begin our journey which will be followed by a second training day in April.

Well... that's about all for now. I would like to thank you all for being absolutely brilliant and so supportive - we couldn't do it without you!

Have a fantastic Christmas and New Year!

Best wishes, Mrs Bennett

