



# Friday Letter for Parents and Carers



8th November 2019

## Headteacher Update

### Dates for your Diary

#### November

14th Children in Need Dress up in Spots  
15th Training Day  
27th Parent/Teacher Consultation Evenings  
29th Enterprise Open Afternoon  
& Christmas Fair

#### December

19th Parents Community Hub 9.30  
20th Break up for Christmas

#### January

6th Back to School

Changes/additions will be marked in red

Happy Friday Everyone!

We hope you had a lovely half term and hope the children enjoyed the fireworks from the window, outside or at an event. Today in our celebration assembly, we watched a very peaceful video of Remembrance, see below the information regarding poppies.

A big thank you to Caroline Anderson (WEB) for organising the Local Offer & Participation Officer into school for our parents evening. We hope this is helpful for you to gain some further information or advise on navigating the website (see information on page 2).

A kind reminder that pupils will not be in school on Friday 15th November, this is a professional development day for staff. Our focus areas for training are MOVE programme for pupils with PMLD, 'REAL PE' curriculum for pupils in Semi formal & Formal phases and SCERTS for supporting pupils with Autism.

We look forward to seeing the pupils in their spots on Thursday. Please ensure you label your cake tins & containers to be returned.

Have a lovely weekend, Olivia

*Olivia Hargreaves*



**Sign of the Week**

**Play**

Please sign up to our Parent Hub app – school can then send messages for free

## Twigs



Twigs have enjoyed exploring a firework themed week. We have created some loud firework sounds and music, fabulous firework pictures and even held our own sensory bonfire. Twigs class loved building up the bonfire with red, yellow and orange material, listening to the crackling sounds and feeling the warmth it gave off. We finished our session with a firework display and hot chocolate with marshmallows.

This week we have given poppies to the children. If you would like to make a donation to help support the Armed Forces and their families please send it in with your child. We will be collecting donations for the poppy appeal during the run up to Remembrance Day



**Ethos Statement: I can play with my friends**

## City Screen– Autism Friendly Screening



Toy Story 4 is to be screened on Sunday 17th November the screening will start promptly at 11.15am. All tickets for this show cost £2.50. Please could

wheelchair users book in advance so they can have enough spaces available. Please contact the cinema, if you should have any special requirements on 01904 612940 or email [cath.s@picturehouses.co.uk](mailto:cath.s@picturehouses.co.uk). Thank you

## Children in Need

This year we are celebrating Children in Need on **Thursday 14th November**. We would love it if the children could come to school wearing something spotty and if possible, bring a donation for Children in Need. We will also be holding a cake sale and some brave teachers are taking part in a 'Soak the Teacher Challenge'.



Its going to be a fun day!



## York's Local Offer for SEND

Visit York's Local Offer for SEND to find out what is available in York for children and young people with educational needs and disabilities. You will find information for families and young people about education, health, preparing for adulthood, money and leisure.

W [www.yor-ok.org.uk/localoffer](http://www.yor-ok.org.uk/localoffer)

F York Local Offer

T 01904 551094

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Laura Brown Local Offer and Participation Officer will be available to talk to parents/carers about what is available in York on the parent/teacher consultation evening on 27th November.

Parents/Carers in North Yorkshire can access support online at [www.northyorks.gov.uk](http://www.northyorks.gov.uk) or by phone on 01609 780780

Parents/Carers in East Riding of Yorkshire Council can access support online at [www.eastriding.gov.uk](http://www.eastriding.gov.uk) or the 0-25SEND Team -East Riding Local Offer on [eastridinglocaloffer.org.uk](http://eastridinglocaloffer.org.uk)

## Golden Leaf Awards 8th November 2019

Acorns	<i>Alfie for settling in well to his new school</i>
Blossoms	<i>Louie for initiating fantastic interaction with his known adults</i>
Twigs	<i>Emily for a wonderful swim session</i>
Saplings	<i>Caleb for making great choices using PECS</i>
Buds	<i>Blake for his positive attitude and contribution in class</i>
Branches	<i>George for using more words throughout the day</i>
Roots	<i>Logan for using a visual timeline to support his transitions</i>
Boughs	<i>Jameel for great independence with personal care, cleaning his teeth without adult support</i>
Trunks	<i>Mason for following adult instructions in rebound to be safe on the trampoline</i>
Trunks	<i>Lauren for using her words more when interacting with others in the classroom</i>
Catkins	<i>Ben for fantastic independent handwriting of his name</i>
Oak Leaves	<i>Lydia for always making good choices and setting a great example to her peers</i>
Oak Trees	<i>Isaac for excellent learning behaviours while swimming at Energise</i>
Oak Trees	<i>Joe for working hard on speaking with the correct pronoun 'Can you help me, please?'</i>
The Nurture Hub	<i>Olivia for great use of symbols to communicate in the White Room</i>
	<i>Maureen's Communication Award</i>
	<i>Matilda for spontaneous signing in school</i>
	<i>Swimmer of the Week</i>
	<i>Maya for fantastic swimming whilst tolerating sharing the pool with friends</i>
	<i>Olivia's Outstanding Award</i>
	<i>Hussein for settling into Hob Moor Oaks School</i>