

# Friday Letter for Parents and Carers

## 17th January 2020



## **Headteacher Update**

Happy Friday! Following EHCP reviews I read all the paperwork, I often pick up on recommendations and I have a good one to share with some of you. The Thomas Centre is located in Lincolnshire and states on their website "We provide outstanding facilities for families and groups like yours, on a dedicated 25 acre site, in a safe and non-judgemental environment". One of our families had a very enjoyable and positive holiday and had many magical moments. If you have other holiday recommendations that provide good hoist systems, hygiene suites, hydrotherapy etc that you would like to share please let me know.

This week I would like to say a HUGE thank you to our Wellbeing Team (WEB Team), Nicky, Caroline & Saskia alongside their primary colleagues Charlotte & Julia work with families on a daily basis. Some of the work involves accessing relevant services and support, advice and support in the home (e.g. behaviour strategies) and very often a cup of tea and a listening ear. During the Christmas period, the WEB team worked closely with 'Besom' York to provide some of our families with Christmas hampers. Thank you to the whole team for their dedication, energy and passion for supporting our pupils, staff and families. If you would like to get to know the WEB team, email n.ellis@ebor.academy, phone school and ask for the WEB team or make a note in the home/school book and someone will phone you back.



Next week we have our Community Hub, a safe place for parents to gather, enjoy a sweet treat and discuss current school improvements, ideas and ways forward. All are welcome, just turn up at 9:30 on Thursday 23rd January. Today we say goodbye to Emma Priest, teacher in Twigs as she leaves to have her baby. We wish her lots of luck and look forward to seeing her soon with Baby.

Olivia Hargreaves

### **Catkins**



Catkins have been on a fabulous trip to the Railway Museum which links to our new topic "We all go travelling by". We listened to a sensory story all about a new conductor who travelled on the Mallard from London to York. He encountered different obstacles on his journey including cows on the track which required him to use his emergency brake! All the boys thoroughly enjoyed listening to the story and engaged with the different resources on offer.









Ethos Statement: I know what my target is

#### **Pantomime**



January

23rd Parents Community Hub 25th-29th Half Term

9.30-11.00 February

17th-21st Half Term

March

6th Training Day

April

6th-17th Easter Holidays

Dates for your Diary May

June

26th Training Day

July

20th Break up for Summer

Any changes/additions will

be marked in red



The next drop in session will be on 1st February 2-4pm Oaken Grove Community Centre, Reid Park, Oaken Grove, Haxby, York YO32 3QW For more information email info.bcsy@gmail.com

## Golden Leaf Awards 17th January 2020

Seedlings Georgie-Mai for settling into full time school so well

Arthur for settling back into his school routine so well Blossoms

Emily for using her right hand more often Twigs Daniel for completing 3 full days in school Saplings

Buds Blake for super exploring outside

Last week the children watched the Pantomime Cinderella in school, the

children clapped along to

time, it was amazing.

the music and had a lovely

**Branches** Riley for using three word strings to communicate what he wants in

communication and snack

Everyone for tolerating a change in routine to watch the Pantomine Roots Jameel for using his knowledge of words to read a book to an adult Boughs

Green Shoots Sparsh for swimming independently in the pool

Trunks Leyton for independently following directions in our new morning

movement activities

Catkins Elliott for settling into his new school wonderfully and wearing his

glasses all week

Bethany for fantastic counting in maths and working independently Oak Leaves

Oak Trees Joe for increased interaction with peers and staff

Oak Trees Isaac for a fantastic first week back

Nurture Hub Olivia for using a lot more purposeful vocalisations during play

Maureen's Communication Award

David for speaking in a loud voice when exchanging PECs Swimmer of the Week

Mira for fantastic communication in the pool Sparsh for independently swimming for the first time! Olivia's Outstanding Award

Louie for greeting me with 'Good morning to Olivia' everyday this week