

Friday Letter for Parents and Carers

24th January 2020



Headteacher Update

Dates for your Diary

February

7th Wear Red Day/Bake Sale for Children's Heart Surgery Fund & **Young Carers**

14th Valentines Disco

17th-21st Half Term

March

5th World Book Day 6th Training Day 31st Easter Fair

April

6th-17th Easter Holidays

May

25th-29th Half Term

June

26th Training Day

July

20th Break up for Summer

Any changes/additions will be marked in red



Good afternoon everyone,

Thank you to those who attended our Parents Community Hub on Thursday, we discussed ways to improve parents evening, our next parents evening we will provide a 'booking appointment' for WEB to ensure families wanting to discuss things with the WEB team can access this before or after their class team appointment. We also discussed the positive impact family pets have for our children, from Guinea Pigs to Therapy Cats- thank you for those who shared personal experiences. Matt Round (Formal Curriculum Phase Leader) shared a draft copy of our 'Relationships and Sex Education' Policy (SRE), it is important to have parental feedback before it goes to Governors. Parents also discussed the SALT provision from Health, I will share with you the 'universal, targeted and specialist' offer to help you understand how this works within a special school, this is very different to the SALT offer for pupils accessing mainstream schools.

We would like to congratulate those who have welcomed a new addition into their family! We have quite a few pupils who have a new baby in their families. It's lovely to have a photo or two via Tapestry to help your child share this news with staff and friends.

During Learning Looks this week, Adam Booker and I were so proud of the learning taking place, I observed art, food technology, literacy and understanding the world. Children were engaged, calm and interacting with peers, staff relationships were excellent with high quality resources throughout.

I hope you all have a lovely weekend, Olivia

Olivia Hargreaves

Oak Leaves

























Oak Leaves class had a wonderful time on our trip to the National Railway Museum. We explored the old and new trains, including the steam trains and the bullet train. We also listened to a sensory story about the Mallard. It was lots of fun and we learnt so much about the different types of trains.

Ethos Statement: I can reach for a goal

City Screen- Autism Friendly Screening

Shaun the Sheep Farmagedden is to be screened on Sunday 9th February 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. Thank you

We kindly request that THIS SCHOOL IS A parents avoid sending products with nuts in for snack or packed lunches. Although this is a healthy snack we do have some children with severe Peanut allergies in school. Thank you.

Becky Thompson, hairdresser, is available to come into school all day on Monday 24th February. Permission letters to be requested via home/school book but please contact her direct to arrange an appointment on

On Friday 7th February we are holding a 'Wear Red Day' to help raise money for the Children's Heart Surgery Fund and Young Carers Awareness Day. We are asking everyone to wear red

07793432898. The payment is £8.00.





on that day for a small donation of 50p, we will also be holding a bake sale where your child can buy a bun for a donation of 50p. Donations of cakes, buns, biscuits etc would be much appreciated. If you would like to donate baked goods please send them in on the day. Money raised will be split between these two worthy causes. Thank you.

Golden Leaf Awards 24th January 2020

Seedlings Alfie for being happy and settled in school

Blossoms Louie for being a good friend when out on the playground Evie for sitting on a school chair for longer periods of time Twigs

Thomas for initiating interactions with his peers, using positive touch Saplings

and making eye contact

Harry for wonderful imaginative role play Buds

William for being more independent th<mark>roughout every part of the</mark> **Branches**

school day

Waibrin for wonderful swimming during his swimming sessions Roots

Boughs Max for showing wonderful behaviours for learning in group sessions

Green Shoots Danny for working well and being engaged with busy fingers

Trunks Poppy for reading 20 key words this week

Catkins Everyone for all being fantastic on our trip to the Railway Museum!

Oak Leaves Letitia for super perseverance with her reading and writing!

Alexander for showing great resilience when he finds things tricky Oak Trees Jack for trying hard to make the right choices at home and at school Oak Trees Nurture Hub McKenzie for sorting objects into 2 groups - hard and soft- in scienc<mark>e</mark>

Maureen's Communication Award

Ruby for communication with her peers using Makaton

Swimmer of the Week Ignas for a brilliant swim session!

Olivia's Outstanding Award Bella for confidently and calmly walking into school hand in hand with Mum