



Friday Letter for Parents and Carers

14th January 2022



Headteacher Update

Diary Dates

January

26th/27th Hob Moor Oaks at the Movies

February

4th NSPCC Number Day

18th Enterprise Open Afternoon

21-25th Half Term

March

4th World Book Day

8th Parents Community Hub

10-11.30

11th Training Day

25th Mothers Day Afternoon

April

8th Easter Eggstravaganza

11-22nd Easter Holidays

May

30th May-3rd June Half Term

Dear Parents & Carers,

The children are working hard behind the scenes to practice their showpieces for our 'Hob Moor Oaks at the Movies' event. We are staying very positive about this being a live event, but will need to make decisions nearer the time. We will share a letter next week about audience tickets and have everything crossed for the week after.

This week we have had 9 members of staff off with covid. This has massive impact on our structure. For children to be safe and happy in school they need familiar and well trained staff, occasionally we look to supply agencies to support us but this is not always the best option for our pupils. Sadly, every school is experiencing staff shortages so supply agencies cannot support us at this time. Thank you for your understanding and support as we plan creative ways to keep our pupils and staff safe with this new and very transmissible variant. I will continue to communicate via Parent Hub to inform you of a positive case in the classroom. From Monday the self isolation period changes again, I will send information out about this next week.

Louise Holdsworth from OT4Me continues to work on a Tuesday in school to assist

our sensory processing support. This targeted support is paid for by our Recovery Premium. Our aims for this half term focus on sensory circuits, equipment within classrooms and to evidence the impact the white room has on pupils accessing it. We aim to offer workshops to parents to give knowledge and ideas for home and leisure... look out for the dates for March 2022, we are hoping these can be face to face!

Olivia



Boughs

In Boughs class we have been practicing our map reading, finding objects to do with our topic "ticket to ride". We are all becoming more confident in locating known areas around school and next week will be walking on our own to find the different objects.



City Screen– Autism Friendly Screening

Ron's Gone Wrong is to be screened on Sunday 16th January the screening will start promptly at 11.15am. All tickets for this show cost £3.00. 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



Golden Leaf Awards 14th January 2022

Seedlings	Jos for a fantastic first swim in the school pool
Acorns	Georgia for fantastic communication, eye contact and verbalising
Blossoms	Harry for developing his fine motor control to be able to complete a train track
Twigs	Thomas for working independently contributing to our group picture during communication
Saplings	Noah for great communication and exploration in the water tray
Buds	Joey for a brilliant swimming session in the hydro pool
Branches	George for good participation in a variety of activities
Roots	Jack for fantastic colour sorting of coloured objects into 6 groups on several occasions
Boughs	Addison for fantastic signing during our performance practices
Trunks	Gui Gui for going swimming for the first time and having an amazing time
Catkins	Benjamin for brilliant signing and vocalisations in class. It's great to hear you saying Bye Bye at home time.
Oak Leaves	Lydia for great effort in PE, Lydia is making great progress each week
Oak Trees	Ziggy for entering the bathroom calmly to wash his hands

Olivia's Outstanding Award
JJ for great attendance last week.