

Friday Letter for Parents and Carers 18th March 2022



Diary Dates

March

25th Mothers Day Afternoon **April**

8th Easter Eggstravaganza 11-22nd Easter Holidays

May

2nd Bank Holiday 30th May-3rd June– Half Term Holiday

Happy Birthday this week to: Isaac and Jack



Headteacher Update

A big well done to all the children for their fundraising events this week. We've seen the children raising funds with a sponsored bounce, an obstacle course, danceathon, sensory circuits and more!

This week I've had the pleasure to attend some face to face conferences. On Tuesday, myself, Emma Priest & Aimee Brinton attended a Palliative Care and End of Life conference with colleagues from social care and health. From this, we had the opportunity to network with Martin House and St Leonard's Hospice and we hope to strengthen our links to support our families in their journey of respite, support and bereavement.

I've observed the quality of teaching and learning across the school over the past fortnight. Strengths across the school include the calm, purposeful learning environments and high levels of engagement your children demonstrate. They have strong relationships with staff and peers and this is the foundations for growth and progress. Already staff have implemented our new phonics scheme and reading scheme following last weeks training.

On Wednesday myself and the Teaching Assistants had a meeting and discussed the extra curricular activities we could offer for pupils during the lunchtime period. I would like to ask parents/carers and TAs to indicate which clubs children may like to attend. I will send a

survey on Monday to share our thinking and allow you to put your children on the list for a nominated club. Have a good weekend, Olivia



We will be holding our Mothers Day afternoon on Friday 25th March to celebrate with Mummy's, Grandmothers and special ladies in the children's lives. if you would like to join us for reading and story activities please return your slip as soon as possible. We would like to ask that only one person per child attends this event. Thank you

Acorns











This term Acorn's class have been learning about colours. Our story has been 'The Colour Monster' by Anna Llenas. We have explored different coloured objects including fruits and vegetables; smelling pineapples and squishing blueberries. We have explored different tastes including finding out if we prefer orange or green jelly (we preferred orange). We have worked hard on our physical development in the hydrotherapy pool and in the soft play and sensory rooms. We celebrated St Patrick's Day by listening to Irish music, painting shamrock pictures and having a day of orange and green.















We would like to say thank you so much to everyone who donated and helped us raise money for Red Nose Day. The children have had so much fun completing lots of sponsored activities to raise money for this worthy cause. We will let you know the grand total when we have counted everything up!



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Golden Leaf Awards 18th March 2022

Seedlings Dylan for showing Daddy his classroom during our stay and play

session

Acorns Oliver for signing 'red'

Blossoms Everyone for a fantastic sponsored bounce and raising lots of money

Twigs Sophie for exploring our forest sensory tray and requesting it again

with 'yes' and 'no' hands

Saplings Tallulah for great progress with reading

Buds Joey for coping really well with changes to routine

Branches Riley for walking into school and to his class independently

Roots Florence for exploring activities with her friends
Boughs Addison for adapting to change extremely well!
Trunks Oscar for dealing with change in routine very well

Catkins Tyler for progress in your independence during personal care

Oak Leaves Chris for wonderful phonics- Chris is recognising key sounds and

applying them when he reads!

Oak Trees Harry for excellent development of your physical skills in PE