



# Friday Letter for Parents and Carers

## 4th March 2022



### Headteacher Update

#### Diary Dates

##### March

- 4th World Book Day
  - 8th Parents Community Hub 10-11.30
  - 11th Training Day
  - 25th Mothers Day Afternoon
- ##### April
- 8th Easter Eggstrava-ganza
  - 11-22nd Easter Holidays

**Happy Birthday this week to:**  
**Asher & Milena**



World Book Day 2022... you did not disappoint! The children and staff of HMO pulled out all the stops and we had a wonderful (hour long!) whole school assembly in the hall today. It was brilliant! To hear the children sing and sign our assembly songs, welcome them to the front to showcase their class outfit themes, to celebrate the successes of individual golden leaf awards and to of course see our school community as one was FABULOUS!

You can see from the photographs attached, the standard of competition was very high! Hayley and Julie (from our Admin team) had a tough decision to make. The winners overall were in 1st place—Seedlings, for a fantastic performance of pulling the enormous turnip out from the soil! 2nd place - Catkins, for celebrating themselves as individuals and travelling on their Magic Train Ride and in 3rd place—Oak Trees for a very high standard of dress up for The Scarecrow's Wedding!

Then to top it off, we all watched the final reveal of our Masked Reader. A big thank you to our Masked Readers—Janet, Ian, Jen, Ciaran and Richard and to the very talented James Wright for creating such high quality videos for our children to interact with.

Thank you for your contribution to our World Book Day. Your children looked amazing today!

Don't forget our wellbeing team will be hosting our Community Hub Meeting on Tuesday. It's a get together for parents to gather, have a brew and catch up. If you have little ones, they are welcome to join you. We can provide some

toys and a safe space to entertain them! I will pop in to say hello as always.

Have a good weekend and remember it is a training day on Friday 11th March. The majority of staff will be receiving training on our new phonics & reading scheme. A small group of staff will be training in a rebound intervention called 'Flexi Bounce'.

Olivia



### Saplings



Another busy week for Saplings class and a fun start to the new term. We are learning all about our senses. This week we have used our ears to listen. We have been on a 'listening walk' around school, created art whilst listening to music, played lots of musical instruments and have thought about sounds that different animals make!







Family Matters York still have spaces on the following courses starting in March : Handling Anger in the Family and Time Out for Parents. To book a place or for further information please visit: <https://fmy.org.uk/parenting/> or email: [helenatkinson@fmy.org.uk](mailto:helenatkinson@fmy.org.uk).

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## Golden Leaf Awards 4th March 2022

Seedlings	Arlo for a super swimming session and blowing bubbles in the water
Acorns	Katie for playing alongside your friends enthusiastically in the water tray
Blossoms	Rowan for a fantastic 1st swim in the school pool
Twigs	Hussein for holding his head up for up to 10 seconds during tummy time and rolling over on his less dominant side
Saplings	Elizabeth for copying the sign 'star' in signing group
Buds	Ignas for excellent participation in Food Technology sessions and careful egg cracking.
Branches	George for amazing new swimming skills including using his eyes under the water and kicking his legs
Roots	Keyleanne for great making marks to represent the letters of her name using a tripod grip
Boughs	Jamie for showing fantastic confidence in the pool, floating on his back with little support
Trunks	Danny for being amazing and calm in his swimming sessions
Catkins	Benjamin for fantastic focused engagement in our KUW session using Hex Bugs
Oak Leaves	Mason for great listening and being a good friend
Oak Trees	Niki for working really hard to form your letters correctly during our handwriting sessions

### Olivia's Outstanding Award

Saplings class for putting a big smile on my face this week!