



Friday 19<sup>th</sup> March 2021

Dear All,

The children continue to settle well in school and have been really enjoying their learning. In Acorn they have been very excited at the arrival of some dinosaur eggs and, in Oak, they have been learning all about gruesome punishments! It has been lovely to see their enthusiasm for their new projects.

Red Nose Day has been lots of fun this year and I am really pleased that these fundraising events are still able to happen, in spite of bubbles. Thank you to all of the staff, especially Miss Lowe, for thinking creatively about how to make them happen.

Mrs L Watts – Executive Headteacher

### This week in class...

**Pre-school:** This week in preschool has been another week of getting reacquainted with each other and making new friends. Collaborative play has shone through: we have had lots of wonderful train track arrangements, large group picnics, turn-taking games and lots and lots of chatter. Please can parents who haven't returned funding forms for next term yet, return them to preschool as soon as possible. We are planning to reinstate our weekly outdoor learning session from after Easter and families involved will receive information shortly.

**Acorn:** Acorn class have been guarding the dinosaur eggs this week, looking for signs of them hatching. We have written instructions for looking after the baby dinosaurs when they arrive. There has been lots of discussion about whether they will be Carnivores or Herbivores, so we have investigated what the different dinosaurs ate. The children have made fossils from salt dough to bury in the sand so now they can pretend they are palaeontologists.

**Oak:** Oak class have spent the last 2 weeks settling back into school life and routines. It has been so nice to see the children back with their friends and enjoying learning. This week we have been busy with our Crime and Punishment Topic work. Ask the children what sorts of punishments they have learnt about. Red Nose Day was a great success and the decorated eggs were amazing - thank you to all the parents that helped get these ready and for all your generous donations. The egg and spoon race was great fun - sadly not many eggs made it home in one piece. Oak class raised a whopping £246.50 for Comic Relief!

**Forest School** Oak class are really enjoying their Forest School sessions on Thursdays. Please remember that the children need lots of layers **and** clothes to change into after the session. They are often soggy and muddy and it's not nice to sit in wet clothes for the afternoon. Thank you!

### **Welcome Miss Moore!**

We have been very happy to welcome Miss Moore to our school. She will be working with Acorn on a Monday afternoon and Oak on a Tuesday as part of the government's catch-up strategy. It has been a pleasure to welcome her to the team.



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