

## Newsletter 10 - Friday 23<sup>rd</sup> November 2018

**Dear Families,**

It has been a lovely week showing our beautiful school off to lots of people and everyone has been extremely impressed! On Monday evening, we hosted a tour for our residents and they really enjoyed getting to see the inside of the building having seen so much of the outside developing. One kind resident has taken photographs of every step of the build and given us a copy. This is going to be fantastic to share with the children so they can see how their "coloured-multi" school came out of the ground! On Wednesday and Thursday, we had open events to advertise the school for Nursery and Reception places for next year. Again, this was a huge success with a good turn out and everyone leaving very interested in the school.

The final groundwork started today and this will take a couple of weeks to complete so we are very much looking forward to seeing this all come to fruition.

### **This week's phonic sounds:**

Please see below the sounds that have been taught this week so you can help your child recognise them and have a go at writing them at home.

v, y, w, th, z
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**Parent Stay sessions in the morning (8:45-9am):** Over the next few weeks, we are going to be setting handwriting tasks for the children first thing in the morning. We have nearly learnt all our Set 1 sounds and so we are trying hard to learn to write them all, which is quite challenging. If you're with your child during this time, please give them some encouragement, they do find it hard but they will get there.

**DRIVING SPEEDS:** Please can I ask that all parents and carers drive no more than 10 mph in the cul-de-sac the school is on and then along the drive into school and in the car park? I have noticed several cars coming into school at speeds that are not safe, which could cause an accident with one of our children or one of the local residents reversing out of driveways etc. Please pass on this message to whoever else may collect your child. Many thanks for your help with this. You will have also noticed that the one-way system has been suspended for two weeks due to road works on Aviation Lane. Please take with this too. Safety is of paramount importance to us.

**Questionnaires:** Please could we have any more questionnaires returned. We have had quite a few back but it would be great to have one from each family. It won't take long to complete but it really helps us to develop. Many thanks in advance for your time.

**Cold weather:** It has grown very cold over the last few days. Please send in hats, scarves and gloves so that the children can still play outside; wrapped up all nice, warm and cosy. Don't forget to put their names or initials on so we can locate their owners should they go missing.

**Harrier Award:** This week the Harrier Award for our value of 'Everyone working together' goes to Freya for always helping her classmates during Phonics. Thank you Freya, it's really kind of you!

Don't forget next Friday is our **class assembly at 2:30pm** where we're looking forward to showing you the retelling of the Little Red Hen.

With very best wishes for a lovely weekend, Mrs Hopkins

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