

Newsletter 2 - Friday 13th September 2019

Dear Families,

I can't believe we are at the end of our second week and the children are already in brilliant routines! This week, Year One made Wormeries as part of their topic and Reception Class have started their Physical Development session by using the bikes and trikes which they just love! Our Nursery children have also settled in well and as my office adjoins their role play area, I can hear all the fun they are having in there!

Branston in Bloom: You will remember last year that our school took part in Branston in Bloom and some of the wonderful flower planters the children created can still be seen. I am delighted to let you know that the Branston area was awarded Gold! We very much look forward to being part of the campaign again next year. In the meantime, you may have noticed the fenced off sections of our field. In the Summer holidays, as part of their Community initiative, Argos sent some of their colleagues to fence the area out of left over pallets (continuing our Eco pledge). It took them a week to treat each pallet and create this wonderful area that will be turned into an allotment and fruit orchard. You can see our first tree that was planted at the official opening of the school already there. Mr Parker will be working with the children throughout this year to cultivate this area so that they can grow their own vegetables as part of our 'Seeds to Supper' adventure. More information to follow regarding this.

We have also been awarded the Royal Horticultural Society School Gardening Awards Level Two for the children's gardening efforts last year which is fantastic and we received a free book too for our school library!

Dates for your Diary: A full list of dates for your diary for nursery children will be sent out shortly.

Clothing labels: Last week, I mentioned in the newsletter about labelling clothes. There are still many items of uniform that are not labelled. I cannot stress how difficult it is to return the correct cardigan/jumper when most of the children are in the same size. If you haven't already, could you please as matter of urgency, label all items of school uniform, including coats so that we can ensure we return everything to the right owner. If any children have their ears pierced, can you please remove earrings on Thursdays if this is possible. If they have not long been pierced and cannot be removed, we will apply micro pore tape over the earrings to ensure they are safe while the children do their PE lesson..

Parking: Many thanks for all your help in parking safely and considerately this week. Myself and Mr Parker have been out and about seeing how it's all going and we have been really impressed! A sincere thank you. Some of you will have noticed a Traffic Enforcement Officer on Monday after school. I anticipate that they may make regular checks but shouldn't see any problems on their next visit.

With very best wishes for a wonderful weekend, Mrs Hopkins.

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