



Small School Big Ideas

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A Nut Free School

Dear Parents,

Last week was **Anti-Bullying Week** so we spent time reminding children about the definitions of bullying and how to talk to someone if they feel they are being bullied. Many thanks to those children who wore odd socks to celebrate the fact that we are all unique.

Celebrations

Last week, the awards went to:

- Amelia (in Rowan) for super sentence writing
- Ciara (in Willow) for settling in so well
- Max (in Oak) for super maths work

The Headteacher Award went to Ayla for joining in particularly well in class discussion when Rowan had a zoom visit from a Rabbi last week. The whole class came up with some interesting questions for him and did us proud!



Picture News

Story: Boys' elite football academies for under-16s have been allowed to continue during England's four-week lockdown but girls' equivalent regional training centres were initially stopped.

Question: Should we always be treated the same?

Virtual Assembly: picture-news.co.uk/discuss



Hampers for The Besom

If you would like to make a donation for a hamper could we please ask for items to be brought into school on FRIDAY 4TH DECEMBER. Below is a list of the type of things they would very gratefully receive for the family hampers:

Chocolates, biscuits, selections boxes, mince pies and yule logs etc. Tins, pasta, rice and sauce jars. Toys for the children and gifts for the parents (toiletries, nice towels, stationery or something similar are perfect for the parents). Christmas decorations - some tinsel or fairy lights maybe.

Animal of the Week

This week, our animal is the dragonfly, so please encourage your child to find out more about this creature. This is always an activity your child can do if they are self-isolating or if you (or they!) just want some extra homework. Research findings can be posted on Seesaw to be shared with the class.



Compassion Trust Perseverance

TT Rockstars

This week's battle is KS1 vs Y5.

Socks please

As the weather has now turned wetter, please could you put a spare pair of socks inside your child's spare shoes on Mondays so that they can have comfy, cosy feet after visiting the field.



Christmas Cards

As always, we are constantly looking at our risk assessment in response to COVID and in light of this please do not send in Christmas cards for your child's classmates. I realise this may be disappointing for some children, but we will make sure that Christmas is well and truly celebrated this year, just in different ways to usual.

Crisp Collection

Many thanks to everyone who has supported Oak Class' crisp bag collection for the homeless. I can't quite believe how many bags have come into school! The last day to bring washed crisp bags in is Friday 27th November.

Christmas

On Wednesday, the staff are meeting to finalise our plans to make Christmas as special as we can this year in amidst all the COVID guidelines. Watch out this week for a letter containing details of our plans.



Fulford Expansion Consultation

We have been asked to share the following link with you which contains details of the consultation regarding the expansion of Fulford School.

The link takes you to the consultation page of their website and allows you to make any observations and comments on their proposal.

<https://fulford.york.sch.uk/consultation-information-for-the-proposed-permanent-expansion-at-fulford-school/>

Future Forest

Mr Norris has asked that children in Willow and Oak bring in a spade or trowel this Friday as they will be having a final session digging out the pond.

Many thanks,

Mrs Christison
Headteacher