

# WEEKLY NEWS LETTER

# Friday 10<sup>th</sup> February 2023

# Proud moments:

#### Acorn

Acorn class have had another busy week, enjoying lots more activities related to our 'Where do I live?' topic including; a Sensory story of 'The Big Umbrella', making our own houses from lollipop sticks and tissue paper and using shapes to make house pictures in Maths.

Shout-outs to:

Reggie for taking himself to the trampoline or spinning chair during sessions so he can still engage with them, even if he is struggling to sit for the whole session.

Akayla for fantastic independence getting changed when going swimming

Maggie for using the communication board to tell an adult that she needed a break when brushing her hair

George for lovely engagement with his peers, sharing lots of different toys

Davids for amazing focus during sand play, making sure the bucket was even and full before turning it over

Otis for holding his hand out towards an adult to indicate that he wanted to do more pouring in the water tray

Carson for sitting beautifully and taking an adults hands to where he wanted to be massaged during TAC PAC

Eli for enjoying learning in our outdoor area, especially filling and emptying different containers in the water tray

Samuel for brilliant independence, choosing his yoghurt for pudding then going by himself to find a spoon without adult prompting

Shey for wonderful imaginative play skills, hiding in the tent outside then jumping up or ducking down to say 'boo!' with an adult

Kohan for developing his independence skills, sometimes walking without holding an adults hand and telling us which direction we need to go in

Fantastic work little Acorns!

# Apple

Riley and Lola for an amazing MOVE session with Marie.

Katie for helping all her friends and the staff in class.

Haydn for amazing work in dough disco and write dance.

Reggie for having a lovely 2 days back in school.

Nevaeh for participating in circle time and engaging with peers.

Joshua for being engaged and repeating a sentence 'I am feeling happy'.

Sam for being really engaged in write dance.

Teddy for singing in circle time and asking for the toilet.

William for being engaged in attention autism.

# Willow

OG - requesting songs beautifully using new words.

JH - walking independently around school.

LB - using physio ball independently to self-regulate.

AM - using communication aid effectively to self-regulate.

WS - engaging in activities beautifully this week.

TD - saying 5,4,3,2,1.

JB - building on attention skills every day, sitting longer, and enjoyed activities.

LC - talking more and more every day, saying 'I'm coming' when playing.

AD - engaging in activities and coming back for more independently.



#### Beech

Beech class are so proud of all of our pupils this week! We've been on adventures around the park and we've even grown our own beanstalks!

We've been wonderful friends and had a lovely time sharing and taking turns with the swing.

# Ash

Sophie for a wonderful first visit to Copthorne school.

Ellie for doing so well with her recognition of sounds.

Reece for some great swimming, especially developing his confidence to kick his legs.

Ilyess for swimming over 10m without stopping on his front.

Paddy for super phonics work especially blending his sounds to read words.

Llan for naming lots of body parts during his science work.

Joshua for trying so hard in PE, concentrating on passing the ball to his partner.

Parker for great horticulture with Matt.

Kenny for working so hard on recognising similarities and differences between him & his peers.

George for doing so well with his reading, his enthusiasm is amazing.

Oscar for wonderful walking in the community.

Will for being so good at remembering and retelling stories.

# Juniper

Juniper class all did amazingly at the table cricket tournament at Derbyshire County Cricket Clubwell done!

Ben for great determination batting the ball.

Ed for having such fun and having such a lovely smile whilst playing.

Daniel for great fielding stopping the ball.

Jack for great engagement and celebrations when batting the ball.

Logan for great socialising with peers from other schools.

Monty for amazing sportsmanship at the tournament, cheering and clapping for all the teams competing.

Samuel for great socialising saying hello and asking people their name.

Seb for great accuracy bowling and bating.

Spencer for great engagement watching others and when bowling and batting.

# Sycamore

B for fantastic effort in phonics and writing.

Elian for awesome drawing in the style of Quentin Blake.

Billy for brilliant independent work in horticulture.

Max for writing a beautiful postcard.

Faith for her wonderful sense of humour and a really happy week. Chelsea fabulous writing about the twits.

Sarah for great following instructions in cookery and trying courgetti spaghetti

Ruby for brilliant drawing about the Twits and the wormy spaghetti.

Harry for fantastic participation in art, painting so many different colours.

Harvey for great effort in our musical rehearsals.

# Larch

Alfie had the best day in Forest School enjoying the outdoors.

Peter has begun work on a great play script in Literacy.

Gracie displayed great hockey skills in PE

Daniel was amazing at building a den in Forest School

Sarann has had a great week, engaging well in all activities and lessons.

Lewis displayed great hockey skills in PE.

Lucas has made great effort in his swimming lessons.

Brogan has worked hard all week on his morning challenge.



Chloe made a great effort in identifying coins and working with money. William had a great day out in the community and in Forest School.

# Blossom

Blossom have had a great week. We've enjoyed exploring India and Sikhism as part of our culture week. In addition to this we have also been focusing on mental health this week as it's also been children mental health awareness week.

Asher- Lovely 'talking' during our wellbeing walk into the park.

Ivy- Amazing weightbearing in her walker and managing to push herself backwards.

JAE- Amazing lifting on his head when on the acheeva bed, keep it up!

Killian- Great sitting in his chair with on back on! you are working so hard!

Kaitlyn- Free walking from the class to the sensory swing crossing three doorways! RB- For great switch work on the interactive white board.

Zuzanna- Wonderful walking in her walker on the primary play area/ you're getting so strong!

#### Holly

Rebecca - For being amazing in the community asking peer what they want for snack and ordering. Also going to the office and collecting money independently.

Lara - For retelling what she had seen and heard on Newsround to a peer correctly.

Faith - For making choices and carrying the basket at shopping.

Amie - For trying new foods in RSHE and expressing likes and dislikes to them.

Duncan - For independently identifying he needed a fork and collecting it from the cutlery pot at dinner.

Jonathan - Communicating to staff during free time.

Frankie - For spending the whole morning at forest school and being so engaged with her peers.

Courtney - For making choices and for having a fabulous time at work experience.

#### Cherry

A pupil has joined us for some sessions this week and has done really well.

Ashleigh and Kian have worked together at playtime to complete a jigsaw.

Everyone is doing really well with Cherry cafe-

George has been doing a super job of becoming more independent pouring drinks.

Jessie did a brilliant job of making drinks.

Lewis has been fantastic at using the trolley to deliver food and giving it out to the correct people. Leo and Ashleigh worked together cooking food.

Cally and Kian did a brilliant job at taking orders.

# Oak

Ryan for working independently and being organised making his valentines activities in particular a heart wreath.

Charlie for finishing his valentine's activities and kindly helping his peers.

J & Billy for linking 3 plus moves in 1990's dance - PE.

Kevin for constructive feedback and good suggestions about the sensory garden/tree.

Codie & Kye for great money work counting jacket potato profits and paying for their goods in town.

Hannah for excellent work in art doing valentine crafts.

Rubie for reading well so well with Melanie.

B & Logan for working hard & using their initiative in Jacket potato enterprise.

All of Oak class for cooking their dinner on a fire in forest school.

# Hazel

We have had a great week in Hazel - everyone needs a special mention!



#### ALFRETON PARK SCHOOL WE'RE CARING, WE'RE BRAVE, WE AIM HIGH

Sharissa - beautiful engagement in our Attention Autism session this week and putting a smile on all of our faces!

Jake - for settling in really well with his class and working with new staff.

Liam - for such wonderful engagement in our Open the Book session.

Dan - for working well with staff and following instructions during social times.

Nathan - For lovely interactions with his friends during social times.

Jessica - for being so independent with her talker this week and remembering to take it to different areas of the school with just a little prompting.

#### Achievements

Lola. D in Apple class did super standing in MOVE WITH ME.

Ivy. S in Blossom class did super balancing on a peanut ball in MOVE WITH ME.

#### Dates to remember:

Pupils break up for half term- Fri 17<sup>th</sup> Feb 2023 Pupils return to school- Mon 27<sup>th</sup> Feb 2023

Pupils break up for Easter- Fri 31<sup>st</sup> March 2023 Pupils return to school- Mon 17<sup>th</sup> April 2023

Bank Holiday- Monday 1<sup>st</sup> May 2023 Coronation Bank Holiday- Monday 8<sup>th</sup> May 2023

Pupils break up for half term- Fri 26<sup>th</sup> May 2023 Pupils return to school- Mon 5<sup>th</sup> June 2023

INSET Day- Monday 26th June 2023

Break up for Summer- Friday 21st July 2023

