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Dear Parents and Carers

Dig Day

What a day and what a turn out! And.....what fabulous results!!!! Thank you everyone!!



Over 70 people turned up during the course of the day – parents, children, pets, volunteers and staff. We know that people would have liked to have helped – as we all know weekends are busy and often precious. Those who could make it for a few hours **collectively made a huge difference to the grounds.** We will notice the benefits in Spring and grateful that Autumn and Winter will be easier for us to maintain.



Apologies for not getting everyone in the photographs or your hard work but we can all see it and know who you are. Big thank you to Nikita Fooks for making the Pizzas for us!

Our merry band of helpers, including Mr Parkin (site manager), Mrs Smith (DHT) and myself helped to cut an incredible amount of hedges and bushes; cleared underneath and weeded hedges; completely tidied up the front of school (including removing an old dead cherry tree); planted over 400 spring bulbs – a crocus bank, snowdrops and a native bluebell wood, lots more daffodils and aliums; cleared and weeded around the gas compound and beech hedge; worked on the allotment – painted the shed; trimmed the willow dome (ask the children how much!) and serve up pizza, salad and cake and wash up! Thank you all so much – parents, children, staff and governors.





Parents Evenings / Roving Bookshop

Parents Evening meetings for this term are on Wednesday 23rd / Thursday 24th October – booking details are out using Arbor. Roving Bookshop will be in on the Thursday and children can buy books during the day and also in the evening (until 7pm) with their parents. More information to follow as this will all be new news for some Year 3 families.

School 'Vision' statement



Our vision for the education of your child(ren) is about ensuring we instil key skills, knowledge and enrichment experiences to be able to move through their future life choices: safely, securely and happily. The statement is designed to not only encompass academic skills but also include the ethos of our 'Skills for Learning' (**Tenacity**, **Creativity**, **Curiosity** and **Collaboration**), and School Values (**Respect**, **Kindness** and **Responsibility**). We want children to be able to make safe choices in an ever changing technological age; gain enriched experiences across the entire curriculum; know how to overcome challenge through safe failure as well as success and to be happy. Therefore our vision statement is...

Equipping our children with the knowledge and skills to navigate life successfully.

Once again, thank you all for your support.

Matthew Dampier

Headteacher

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