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Dear Parents

School Visits

I was warmly welcomed by Simon and Amanda Trevor Roberts on Wednesday of this week. It was lovely to see the school again and speak with Simon and Amanda about the admissions process and ethos of the school. Trevor Roberts is a very popular co-ed proprietary owned school that is very well established. Demand for places is high with only 18 places a year on offer to 5-year olds. An early registration of your interest is needed if you would like it to be considered. Amanda explained that many parents register from their hospital beds, once their child is born. Once again, if any parents would like to talk to me in more detail about Trevor Roberts, I would be happy to do so.

Parent Reps Meeting

We are looking forward to our next parent reps meeting which is due to take place next Wednesday, 7th February. We will be discussing arrangements for our 60th birthday celebrations; if you have any ideas you would like to put forward, please let your rep know ahead of our meeting.

Curriculum News

Gardening links to our curriculum area Understanding the World. Growing offers opportunities for problem solving, investigation and questioning. Another benefit of gardening is an opportunity to develop an understanding of, and respect for, nature. This also develops greater mindfulness of our environment. Gardening facilitates hands-on and active learning, and the concrete connection is hugely stimulating. As children learn about how plants grow they develop a scientific understanding of seeds, light and water and this can generate many questions. Growing vegetables, in particular, promotes healthy eating and encourages children to make healthier food choices as a result. Vegetables that are easy to grow at home include: carrots, peas, runner beans, cabbage, spinach, radishes, potatoes or walking stick kale.

We are looking forward to welcoming some of our parents to help our half day children do some planting in our garden next week.



Stop and Drop

Please find attached a letter explaining our Stop and Drop arrangements that will come into play after half term.

Class 2 News

It has been a fun and exciting week in Class 2. We are learning about 'People who help us', the emergency services. The children thoroughly enjoyed dressing up as doctors and nurses in the doctor's surgery. They have been checking the temperature of their friends and teachers, bandaging broken body parts and administering medicine. The children liked talking about their experiences at the doctors. Rian said, "I was feeling unwell. I got a cough. He took my temperature." In addition, the children have become aware of keeping safe learning about 'stranger danger'.





I wish you all a lovely weekend.

With best wishes

Mrs Sylvester
Headmistress

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