

Friday 14th May 2021

Dear Parents and Carers,

Thank you to the 158 children who helped to raise money as part of our Grow a Pound challenge. You raised an amazing £1,282. This will go towards maintaining our wonderful drumming teacher and our forest school sessions which, I am sure you will agree, offer such quality enrichment to your children. All participants will receive a badge and a packet of seeds in their blue bags. Thank you to Haena and Mahvish, co-chairs of CHIPTA for organising the event and special mention to the following children who were the top 6 savers.

Class	Name	Amount
Ladybird	Sunshine	£44.90
Ladybird	Sophie	£63.35
Squirrel	Imogen	£66.00
Owl	Aarush	£50.00
Lion	Nellie	£30.45
Lion	Chloe	£68.70

Mental Health Awareness Week

This week has been national Mental Health Awareness Week and we have been talking to your children about this. It is not something which should be discussed only once a year but something which should be a part of everyday life. We used the attached power point with your children, you may find it useful as a starting point for conversations at home.

Local Covid cases

Unfortunately Covid cases in local schools are slowly rising. The vaccination programme is slowly easing us out of the pandemic but we must not become complacent and we are concerned that it is easy to forget to follow the basic rules. We continue to request that you **please wear a face mask at all times on the whole school site** (including in the horseshoe and before and after you have dropped your child off) unless you have a health reason for not doing so. We are so grateful to the majority of parents who continue to help us keep our school safe and open.

Waiting in the horseshoe

Please could we request that if you are waiting in the horseshoe with your children that you continue to supervise them. Unfortunately cars are being damaged by children going behind the barriers.

Lost Property and Second hand uniform

Now that the weather is starting to get a little warmer the children are taking their coats and jumpers off and sometimes these get left around the school. Please ensure that all items of clothing are named clearly so that we can return them to you. Please feel free to check the lost property bin for any missing items at school drop off or pick up. The lost

property bin is located in the year one playground. If you would like to buy any second hand uniform please email chiptachair@gmail.com and our PTA will be happy to help you.

DBS checks

The School Office are busy processing DBS applications to enable parents to help with swimming. More information about swimming will be sent to you soon. Please contact the School Office if you would like to apply for a DBS certificate. This will allow you to volunteer and help in school when we are able to invite parents in to help again with the school library, reading and trips etc. When you receive your DBS certificate in the post please take it to the Office so that we can record that the process is complete and add you to our list of parent volunteers. Thank you.

Eid

It was so lovely to hear so many children telling us about their Eid celebrations this week, Eid Mubarak to you all.

We hope you have a good weekend,

Janet Berry