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A big '**THANK YOU**' to families who completed a feedback questionnaire about our Valentine's Stay and Play sessions; we are delighted that you enjoyed it as much as we did and your suggestions are always very welcome. Donations for raffle prizes were much appreciated, £24 was raised (every little helps) We also managed to cover the cost of the heart canvases.

You are warmly invited to our Easter Egg hunt on **Wednesday 23rd March at 11am or 2.30pm**. Please let Mrs Longhorne know if you would like to join us.

Working with partners in the local community and charities

We are delighted to be working in partnership with the staff from **Woodhouse Children's Centre**. This month, children from our 2 year old provision will be visiting the sensory room... we will take lots of photos of the children having fun!

Des and Tamsin will also continue with the storytelling sessions... come and join us from 11am - 11.30am on Thursdays 3rd, 10th and 17th March.

We would like to support **Butterwick Hospice, Bishop Auckland** by filling as many plastic sacks of donations as we can for this very worthy cause. The van will come to collect the bags on **Friday 22nd April at 2pm**. We will let you know where to leave them on the day; unfortunately, we don't have anywhere to store them before this date. You are welcome to take more sacks if you can fill them.

We have also received a letter of thanks from **Save the Children** for £55 raised at Christmas time.



Did you know... Miss Newton is currently studying for a degree in photography at University. She is currently leading a photography based project with a small group of our children and their families. We are having a wonderful insight into what the children are interested in photographing in their local area. If the project is successful, we would like more children to have this experience. Perhaps you know someone who could support us with sponsoring a camera or two? At the end of the project we will have an exhibition of the children's work. Watch this space!



A very warm welcome to Tallullah who will be joining our 2 year olds' provision and not forgetting Thea who joined us at the end of last month. Tia and Jonathan have joined us in our 3 & 4 year olds' provision too; exciting times ahead!



The following children will be celebrating their birthdays this month. **HAPPY BIRTHDAY** to Jayden, Jack and Lexi-Rose who will all be 4 years old. Ayden was 3 at the end of last month.



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World Book Day - Thursday 3rd March. Staff from the Children's Centre will be supporting us with World Book Day celebrations... your child is very welcome to dress up as a book character - come and join us for a story **from 11-11.30am.**

Our Scholastic book fair will run from **Monday 29th February to Friday 4th March.** Remember to use your free £1 off book voucher (supplied by Nursery) towards any purchase.

On behalf of staff and children I would like to say a very big 'thank you' for your donations to school fund.

We have bought:

- Our daily healthy snacks
- Resources to celebrate Easter
- Disposable cameras and photograph developing (project)
- Subsidised the farm trip for all children



Next we hope to collect enough weekly donations to hire an incubator so that we can hatch some chicks as well as buying some prizes for our Easter Egg hunt... fingers crossed!

Wish List

LOST PROPERTY... We have quite a few items of lost property in our box in the office. Please check there is nothing belonging to your child.

We need your help!

Do you have any of the items on our wish list at home and don't need them anymore?

We can use these items to extend and challenge the children's learning:

- Nuts and bolts
- Food colourings and flavourings

Your child's safety is very important to us... please avoid driving down the approach to the school as this puts other children and parents at risk. (We have an agreement in place for you to use the Aclet Public House car park)

Thank you for your continuing support.



A big **THANK YOU** to Gregory's of Bishop Auckland, who supplied the pies and cakes for our Valentine's 'Stay and Play'... they were delicious!

*Nursery will be closed for our next training day on **Thursday 24th March** and we return from the Easter holidays on **Monday 11th April**. Have fun!*

New parent governors

I am delighted to inform you that we have 3 new parent governor representatives who will be joining our governing body in steering the future of our Nursery School. We extend a very warm welcome to Lindsey Courtney, Toni Evans and Alex Marley; we will look forward to working more closely with you.

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