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SEND reviews & Parents' Evening

- If your child is on the SEND register and you do not have an annual review* booked for this term, their **SEND review** will be taking place over the next few weeks. You should have received confirmation of the date / time of this meeting; please let us know if you are able to attend by returning the parental advice form. If you need to check the date / time of the meeting, please do not hesitate to get in touch (regrettably, we are not able to change the meetings due to cover implications).
- We had parents' evening last week for parents of children not due a SEND review and we were delighted with the **96%** turnout. Thank you for your support – we hope you found it useful (and we apologise for any delays!).

**Only for children with an EHCP*

Christmas performances

Although the dates were sent out a while ago, we never actually confirmed the times of this year's Christmas performances (thank you to the parents who have reminded me!). They are:

- **EYFS:** 'The Innkeeper's Busy Night' on Wednesday 10th December, 10am
- **KS1:** 'A Little Bird Told Me' on Wednesday 17th December, 2pm
- **KS2:** 'A Christmas Concert' on Monday 15th December, 2pm and 6pm

Note: the KS2 performance will be a mixture of songs (traditional, popular and unfamiliar); rather than our usual play. We intend to put on a (non-Christmassy) play later in the year – watch this space!

Project for Positive Change

We are proud to be working with SWFC's Community Programme on a project for positive change. This involves making care packages for homeless people in Sheffield. We are therefore collecting donations up until **Wednesday 10th December** (see separate letter for more information). We appreciate the fact that you gave so generously for the recent Harvest collection but every little helps. Thank you in advance.

Free yoga place

Fun Warriors Yoga Club are offering a FREE trial session to any children who haven't had a chance to try their after-school club for the duration of this half term! Sessions run Wednesdays, 3.15-4.15pm, contact the school office to book. A flyer with more information is attached.

Community News

- Good luck to all involved in Wharcliffe Side Players' performance of **Treasure Island** (starting this weekend). We are sure it will be brilliant as always!
- Brightholmlee Methodist Chapel are running a **Christmas Tree Festival** during the weekend of Friday 12th – Sunday 14th December (see attached flyer for more information).
- A huge thank you to **The Wharcliffe Arms** who are running a Christmas raffle and donating the proceeds to school. This runs up until Wednesday 17th December and they are happy to accept any prize donations you may be able to share.

Wool & crayons!

Another request: The Learning Zone would be happy to accept any donations of wool that you may be able to spare (this is to make pom-poms for use in their calm corner). They would also happily accept some wax crayons for a different project. Thanks in advance!

Keegan

We were delighted to welcome our therapy dog, Keegan, (and his trainer, Julie) back into school last week after a long absence. It's great to have them back!

Mr Gaughan

Nurturing confidence, nurturing potential, nurturing success.



Celebrating Achievement



Well done to the following children:

- ★ **Bronze:** *Maze, Maddie B, Maddie P* (Rowan), *Celeste* (Sycamore); *Kwontay, Millie-Mai* (Oak)
- ★ **Silver:** *Willow C, William M* (Ash); *Harvey R, Kyle* (Willow); *Harriet, Ruby* (Sycamore)
- ★ **Gold:** *Ella-Grace* (Ash); *Joseph* (Willow)
- ★ **Nursery Stars of the Week:** *Hudson & Theo* (Seedlings); *Ollie & Albert* (Saplings)
- ★ **Attendance winners:** Attendance was **96.9%** overall last week. The winning classes were *Willow* (KS1) with **98.8%** and *Oak* (KS2) with **97.2%**.
- ★ **House Point winners:** *Europe* won the house point trophy for the second week in a row.
- ★ **Our Y5/6 boys' team** gave a great account of themselves at the football competition on Friday (despite the terrible weather!)
- ★ *Roscoe & Caleb's* designs were chosen for Bradfield Parish Council's **Christmas Card competition**. They have been invited to a special ceremony next week!
- ★ *Elio* won the chance to be the **SWFC mascot** in the forthcoming game v Preston (drawn randomly from all the entries by the School Council).



This week's birthdays:

Ida (10), *Skyla-Grey* (9),
Giovanni (3)

This week's '**School Standard**' is:
Be safe (Road Safety Week)

What's Happening?

Little Seedlings are reading 'The 3 Little Pigs' & *Saplings* are learning about road safety.

Ash are starting a new focus book: 'Jonty Gento' by Julia Donaldson.

Willow are writing factual sentences about penguins.

The Learning Zone are doing 'Table Cricket' with Coach Brady in their Special PE lessons.

Rowan have been learning to sew in their DT lessons.

Sycamore last week welcomed Miss Lenton (no relation to former TA, Mrs Lenton) who will be joining them on her student placement soon.

Oak are this week starting a 'Women in STEM' (Science, Technology, Engineering & Maths) project with volunteers from Sheffield University. It will run for 3 weeks in total and we hope the children get a lot from it.

