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Dear Parents,

We have had 5Mandela in our thoughts this week as they have had to work from home and we look forward to seeing them next Tuesday when the restrictions allow them to return. Thank you for your prompt compliance with the bubble closure. We appreciate the additional stress this puts on families and hope that the home learning run by Miss Phillipps has helped.

In school, the pace of work has not slowed with some classes having assessments this week. Sadly, due to the weather we had to postpone our sports days yet again. Looking at the initial forecast, I am reluctant to plan for next week which will mean we will need to fit them in in the final full week of term. We will keep you updated in the Wednesday email.

This coming week is Outdoor Learning Week when children will be focussing on a variety of active learning outside across the curriculum. Please ensure that your child has suitable footwear – trainers and rainproof coats / sun hats as appropriate. If it is sunny, please apply sun cream or send them to school with sun cream.

Year 6 School Journey

We are all hoping and praying there are no cases that will prevent Year 6 going on their school residential trip to PGL on Monday. I know families and staff have been extra vigilant to ensure Year 6 have the end of school experience they deserve.

Year 6 should arrive at school as normal on Monday. Parents should say their farewells before the children come on to the premises – unless parents have medicines/instructions to drop off. In this case there will be a table on our one way system for you to handover to a member of staff. Staff will be there to welcome the children who will be taking their own suitcases/bags to the Hall in their separate bubbles. We will let parents know when they have arrived at Liddington.

Autumn Term – Year 5 swimmers

The current Year 4 will be having swimming lessons in the Autumn Term. Details of payment needed is in the Wednesday email. The charge for lessons has increased. In order to keep the cost as low as possible for this important part of the curriculum, we will be using our Sports Premium grant to provide transport to the leisure centre.

Teachers for the coming year

Sessions with the children's new teachers will take place the week of July 12th. This had to be delayed due to staff and pupils self-isolating and next week we will be without our Year 6 teachers.

Forest School

Year 3 have been enjoying the fruits of Forest School over the past four weeks – their final session was this week – when they tasted rhubarb grown from our vegetable garden. This was a surprise delight for many but marshmallows remain the firm favourite! They have also enjoyed baking bread alongside making frames this week. Our thanks go to Miss D’Souza for running Forest School this term. She will be with us next week helping with outdoor learning across the school. Aoife Kelly was able to plant her home grown tomato and strawberry plants in our vegetable garden this week with help from Sofia and Zack. Thank you Aoife.



Above left, collecting the rhubarb to cook. Right, from top, sawing wood for frames; making frames; planting in our vegetable garden.

3Nightingale at Forest School

Merit Certificates

The following children have been selected this week for particularly standing out as being shining examples of our Mission Statement – *Growing together in love and learning as followers of Jesus* – and developing strengths in our curriculum focus areas of Protecting the Planet; Resilience; Aspiration and Equality.

3Anning	Theodore Eismann-Typhis	For his outstanding attitude in assessment this week and engagement in outdoor learning.
3Nightingale	Finn Whiting	For having a brilliant behaviour for learning and great listening in class all week.
4Jemison	Bobbie Rowe	For consistent hard work and determination all year. She has exceeded all her targets. We are so proud of her.
4Attenborough	Ryan Hibberd	For always showing a fantastic attitude to his learning – great to see him using his sticky learning in writing.
5Mandela	Sophie Barreda	She has continued to take her work seriously even when she is doing online learning. Well done.
5Einstein	Joshua Dowie	Great ideas and contributions in class discussions – particularly in English (letter writing).
6Johnson	Freya Clift	For her enthusiasm and determination this week when measuring and drawing angles. Excelling in swimming too.
6Martin Luther King	Joshua Mensah-Roberts	For his perseverance, progress and achievement in swimming this term.

Have a safe weekend and enjoy the football, tennis and cycling!

Best wishes

Mrs Smith
Head Teacher