

11th February 2022

Dear Families,

In our Collective Worship this week, the children have learnt about the time when Jesus met the children and how he made each of them feel special. We have thought about how we would feel if we met somebody famous and the different emotions we would have. It was so interesting to hear the responses from the children who, as always, never cease to amaze me with their thoughtful replies.

Children's Mental Health week



This week, as a whole school we have been celebrating Children's Mental Health week. Each class designated a minimum of 20 minutes each day to discussing and completing various activities to support the children with their well-being. There were a huge range of activities completed throughout the week including: mindfulness colouring, yoga, meditation, goal setting and discussions around what makes us individual. The firm favourite across the school, however, was 'Funky Fitness' with Ms Kerbyson. Each class had a session, where they participated in a variety of fun dances. The children's laughter was so wonderful to hear!

National Schools' Football Week



This week, each of the classes were lucky to celebrate 'National Schools' Football Week' with an extra football session on Friday. The children in EYFS, Year 1 and Year 2 were taught some new skills by Mr Kirk from Spires College. They then practiced these new techniques in some drills. Lots of fun was had! The Children in Key Stage Two were able to participate in some internal matches between each class in the year group. This created a competitive, but fun, atmosphere with all children taking part. Some children played a part in the matches, whilst

others had a go at being managers, sorting tactics, helping to referee and running the sideline drills for each other. Some even made posters and banners to support their class team! What an exciting day!



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FLOURISHING FUTURES

Writing Development Day

This week, I had the pleasure of dropping into writing lessons throughout the school with Miss Watson, our Trust Literacy Lead. It was fantastic to see our youngest children using their Fred Fingers to support their sentence writing. Our older children were all incredibly busy writing persuasive letters and articles. In Year 5, the children were busy considering how to use modal verbs to make their letters more persuasive and then looking at which verb would have the most impact. I always enjoy dropping in to see the children during their lessons and they are always so keen to share their learning.

Nursery/EYFS (under 5's) Extended Provision

Our nursery is open throughout the holidays except Christmas. Please follow this link to book a session for February half term:

<https://forms.office.com/r/QiPckMp2td>

Reception children under the age of 5 are also able to attend the above provision due to the limited age range with Premier Education, please follow this link: <https://forms.office.com/r/fTYAVVKj2D>

Premier Education Multi-Skills Holiday Club

The club not only offers full weeks but individual days, please follow the links below. You can also use this code: Burfield10 for a 10% discount.

This link is for the standard day 9-4pm [Multi-Activity Holiday Camp – Premier Education \(premier-education.com\)](https://forms.office.com/r/fTYAVVKj2D)

This is the link for the Extended day 8-6pm [Multi-Activity Holiday Camp – Premier Education \(premier-education.com\)](https://forms.office.com/r/fTYAVVKj2D)

Have a fabulous weekend!

Best wishes,



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Head of Academy

