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## Willow Class Newsletter

### Anti Bullying Week

This week across the school we have all been focussing on our annual Anti Bullying Week. This is in line with The Anti Bullying Alliance National week. On Monday we wore odd socks to raise money for the Anti Bullying Alliance and also to raise awareness of the fact that it is ok to be different. The focus of this year's Anti Bullying Week was Power for Good and focused on speaking up and being supportive when you spot unkindness and/or bullying. We linked this very closely with our Kindness Pledges – Kind Words, Kind Action, Kind Heart. In Willow we focussed on the harm bullying can do and how we can help and support someone by telling an adult and challenging others when we see unkindness. The class were great in discussion, and I was really impressed with their understanding of bullying and how to use their Power for Good. We used role play and domino chain reactions to demonstrate how unkind words can affect someone and create a chain reaction of unkindness and similarly kind words can create a chain reaction of kindness. The children also wrote animal stories in English which were based around fables and showed an Anti-Bullying theme.

The children were excited to get scripts for their parts in our Christmas play – Secret Angels. We are already busy practising with Cherry Class.

Unfortunately, our extra Forest School session was not to be due to some unpleasant weather! Hopefully the chance will come again for this extra session to be rearranged.

This term it is trickier to get into Mike's Meadow every week as the weather has not been great. We will continue to try and use the meadow every Monday afternoon where possible. It would be great to ensure the children always have wellies and waterproof coats at school.

On Wednesdays Willow class have been enjoying a coached PE session with coaches from Bath City. This is a great opportunity for the children, and they have enjoyed the sessions they have had so far.

Best wishes

Alison, Beth, Sarah, Hannah, Lucy, Jemma and Amy

#### Teacher's Awards

This week **Natalia** and **James**

were awarded the Teacher's Awards for their enthusiasm and 'can do' attitude to school life.

**Francesca** was our **Star of the Week** for showing great kindness and the **Presentation Award** went to **Lexie**.

#### Homework

**Reading** - we will send home a decodable book on Monday and Thursday. Please read these with your child focussing on their use of sounding words they do not know. Remember to record in the reading record book when you read with your child.

Times Table Rockstars is a great way to practise times tables so do log in and have a go with your child.

Regular practise of the key spellings for Year 2 from the spelling fish will greatly benefit the children when writing.

Please help your child to learn the lines they have in the Christmas play if applicable. I have given them the full scripts so that they can also see what is said before their lines so they know when to say them!

#### Dates:-

**Monday – Mike's Meadow playtime and Science**

**Wednesday pm- Natalie PPA cover (Bath City coaches sessions)**

**Friday and Wednesday – PE**