



Hello to everyone and a warm welcome back for the summer term. I hope that everyone enjoyed a relaxing and enjoyable Easter break and made good use of the change of rules to be able to visit friends gardens and bring families together. Coming back to school on Monday, an air of optimism was definitely in the air that things are improving and let's now hope things continue in the same vein. All we want at school is to bring normality back to the children and with good luck this should hopefully happen this term. Thank you for continuing to follow the rules for the school grounds and for your ongoing support.

On Monday in my assembly I spoke about the legacy that Prince Philip has left through all of the work he did through his life. I challenged the children to think about the legacy they will leave on the school, especially our Year 6 children for whom this will be their final term. With so much time having been missed we want every child to work as hard as they can to ensure that they gain everything they can from their days at school. We have reiterated this week the importance of home reading (remember a short comment and signature is fine for reading logs) and also practicing those times tables. Times Tables Rockstars is a fabulous, fun way to learn and we would like to see even more children playing everyday. This week we have been able to give left over Easer Eggs to the leading players in each class, but we will also be continuing to give different prizes in the coming weeks *Mr Raw, Head of School* so please encourage your child to use the game as much as possible. Thank you.

### Foundation Stage Go Bug Crazy

This week the children came into school dressed up as their favourite bug to kick start their new theme 'Is it a Bugs life?' They took part in many different themed activities across the day such as collaging and painting ladybirds, taking part in a mini beast hunt and researching about lifecycles. They had the opportunity to cut out a spiral shape to make a hanging worm and decorate it using their patterning knowledge. They also used their phonics knowledge to write a list of minibeast names to make their own hunt list. Thankyou for your support.

### Parents' Evening

Next week we will be having our telephone parents' evening over the phone. Appointments will be coming home either today or on Monday so please look in your children's bags for these. We will also be texting you your appointment time too. Please can you let us know if you do not receive confirmation of your time and we will rectify this as quickly as possible.

In order to get through every member of the class we would ask that conversations are limited to 10 minutes. If you need longer to talk to your child's teacher they will arrange a convenient time and date to do this over the coming days. Thank you.

### Stand out moments

Moving around the school this week, popping into as many classes as I could, I have had a number of moments which have reminded me why being a teacher is such a great job. Sometimes progress is seen in small chunks and sometimes it is on a huge scale, but either form is just as special. Highlights this week included hearing Oz in F2 read Stoneferry from the wall, Tommie in Year 2 naming the properties of a cube and cylinder, Esmee in Year 1 explaining what a plant needs to grow, Leo in Year 2 writing a wonderful sentence, Max in Year 3 amazing me with his knowledge of rocks, Heidi in Year 4 showing me her beautiful handwriting, Mitchell in Year 5 producing amazing work and some incredible writing from Jayden in Year 6. Well done everyone!

### Helping Hands

At present we are all aware of the road developments which are happening in the Stoneferry area. It seems that all of Hull is being dug up at present however in the long run this should hopefully improve. The contractors who are doing the work have kept in close contact with the school throughout and following a meeting today they have agreed to carry out a number of jobs on the school site for free, as well as possibly purchasing the school a bike shelter. They wanted to do this to say thank you for the school being so accommodating and working in partnership. The children will benefit from these tasks so I was really pleased.