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Dear Parents/Carers,

It has been great to see so many children walking, cycling and scootering to school this week as part of 'Walk to school' week. Thank you to everyone who attended our Road Safety assembly on Monday. The children took their learning back into the classroom and created their own Road Safety posters and even designed their own road maps on the playground with a zebra crossing. They have continued to learn about drawing maps and have drawn their own map of the school. Layah included a few unicorns in her map and when asked, she told us that adults couldn't see them!!







The children have now completed their Arts Week learning and have produced an amazing display in our Arts Studio. We are going to submit the children's work to the project, in the hope that it may be exhibited in the

National Gallery next year.

The Outcome explored the decision wood.

Child

The Reception Team have been developing the Reception Outdoor Learning area and they have constructed a new water exploration wall. The children have had lots of fun investigating the different features. It is amazing what you can do with a wooden pallet and few bits of pipe!

Children in Bluebell Class, who are moving up to school in September, have been busy practising for their Graduation this week. We had a fabulous morning listening to their singing and

sharing this special day with them today. We are very proud to be sending our first group

of children up to school – it is amazing to think we have been open nearly a year now and how much has been achieved in such a short space of time.

STAFFING UPDATE

Next year, as well as my role at Newhall, I was informed last week that I will be supporting another REAch2 school in Clacton. In order to ensure that we maintain the high standards of care and education at Newhall, Mrs O'Neill and Mrs Smart have agreed to become Assistant Heads. Mrs O'Neill will oversee EYFS, including the Nursery. Mrs Smart will oversee Key Stage I and SEND. The intention has always been to do this, we have just moved the plans forward a year. Mrs O'Neill will still be teaching Willow Class and Mrs Smart will teach Willow Class when she has her leadership release time. Please be reassured that I will still be at Newhall on a regular basis and you will continue to see lots of me!

I am also really pleased to inform you that Rosina has been accepted on to a University degree course which starts in October. This will mean that she will be reducing her hours and stepping down as Bluebell Room Lead, and eventually as Deputy Manager. Rosina has agreed to continue to support in the school and Nursery for a few hours a week though. Laura Murrant, one of our new Early Years Practitioners starting in August, has agreed to take on the role as Bluebell Room Lead when she starts. She is currently the Deputy Manager at Church Langley Pre-School, so I know she has the knowledge and experience to make a success of this. The Deputy Manager role will be advertised internally over the Summer to all Nursery staff.

We will be holding our end of term assembly for Reception in the school on Wednesday 24th July at 1.15pm. Parents and Carers are more than welcome to join us and the children will also finish at 2pm on this day.

REMINDER: NURSERY WILL BE CLOSED FOR ALL CHILDREN ON TUESDAY 3RD SEPTEMBER FOR STAFF DEVELOPMENT. (Initial notification for this was given in May.)

Menu for next week:



I hope you have a lovely weekend. Yours sincerely,

Debbie Gayler