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Dear Parents and Carers,

What's happening this week and next

Public Health team were in today recording all children in Reception year and Year 6 height and weights. Flame Tree class started swimming this week. The NSPCC Speak out and Stay safe are in on Thursday delivering assemblies and workshops. There is a letter attached to this newsletter with more information on the NSPCC campaign. Club letters have gone out and will start next week.

Staff news

Mrs Bickerstaff will be returning to work full time after half term taking over Banyan class. We are very grateful to the stirling job Miss Page has done covering the maternity leave since September. Mrs Bickerstaff will be popping in before half term to ensure a smooth handover. Mr Gude will be returning from paternity leave on Tuesday 23rd January. New little Emily Gude is doing very well.

School Councillors

Congratulations to the following children who have been voted by their class as school councillors, this term we are looking at mental wellbeing and the children have some fabulous ideas of how to promote good mental health in children:-

Gauva Tree Class – Tia and Oscar Bay Tree Class – Jonas and Anna Kapok Tree Class – Poppy and Rudy Flame Tree Class – Clara and Ellis Ginkgo Tree Class – Danny and Ella Lime Tree Class – Dylan and Allegra Banyan Tree Class – Io and Esme Willow Tree Class – Kodi and Daisy

Exhibition of artwork

Next week the school will be opening an exhibition of artwork from every class, which will be exhibited at the Birdwood House Gallery. The exhibition, which is entitled, Green Spaces, will reflect the importance that the natural world has on our health and well-being. The exhibition will run from this Friday until Friday 26th January. We are still looking for volunteers to man the gallery for the following days and times:-Monday – from 9.45 onwards until 4.45 (a few people a few hours if possible) Tuesday – from 9.45 until 11 and 2.30 until 4.45 Wednesday – from 9.45 onwards until 4.45 (a few people a few hours if possible) Thursday – covered fully Friday - from 1.30 until 4.45 Rebecca has the rota and if you can help please put your name down.

<u>Illness</u>

We are letting you know that a number of children have been away from school with flu like symptoms. There is a letter about this attached to this email.

Praise assembly

Flame Tree class assembly will be next Friday 26th January starting at 2.45pm.

Kind regards

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