



# NEWSLETTER

## September 2023

Welcome back to everyone to the start of our new academic year! We hope you have all had a fantastic summer and can't wait to see you all back on **Tuesday 5<sup>th</sup> September**

We are thinking of all our Little Explorers on their first day of Primary school (how exciting!!). Good luck to all the parents too – Keep smiling!! (Tissues in your pocket ready!). They are going to have a **GREAT** first week I'm sure.

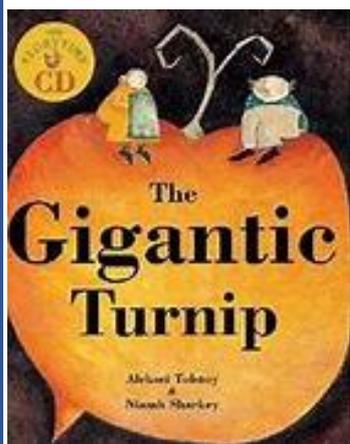
We have been very busy over the holidays getting ready to welcome you all back, old faces and new. We are welcoming Lennie, Edward and Freddie this term and know they are going to settle in quickly and love their time with us. Please also keep an eye out in our peace garden during the first week as we will be welcoming two new (feathered) members to the Little Explorers family!

As you know, we have had a complete revamp of our outside area. Brown Clee Primary has kindly given us permission to use part of their land that wasn't being used. This is beyond fantastic for us as after our extension our outside area was very limited. This has now given the children the opportunity to experience more outside activities, including expanding the gardening club thanks to Ruth's husband Paul for making us some raised beds. Jordan's husband Nick and my husband John have spent a day (and some evenings) pulling down our old fence, putting up a new one by the school and putting up a fence around our astroturf area which means the children can now play outside in all weather and throughout much more of the day (and year!). We are very excited and I'm sure the children will be too! Thank you to those that came and helped on our "Volunteer Saturday". It really does mean so much to have parents join staff and play a part in making their child's learning environment great!

This first half of term we will be looking at "Harvest Time" and our first core book is "The Gigantic Turnip". We are also talking about where our food comes from and keeping healthy. We have our dentist role play set up and ready for patients and we will talk about what we can do to keep healthy by moving more and eating healthily. We will be re-introducing our "Healthy lunch box awards" during this time and be giving lots of healthy lunch tips.

Thank you to all who completed our parent questionnaire. It is always great to know what we are doing well and what we can do better. We understand that we need to improve our daily parent communication and please rest assured we are going to be looking at this.

And finally, please remember to speak to one of us at the door or phone/email if you have any worries, concerns or questions about anything.



### Diary Dates

Monday 4<sup>th</sup> September – PD Day

Tuesday 5<sup>th</sup> September – Start of Term

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