



SPRING TERM (2)

11TH MARCH 2024

WEEK 4



The Value of the Week is Honesty

This week the value we will be discussing is Honesty. We will begin the week as usual with our whole school Circle Time and this week, we will be playing the game: The Honesty Well. Ask your child to discuss it with you at home this week.

We will be teaching the children how Honesty is important because it forms the foundation for **trust** in relationships. We will be asking and discussing questions such as: *Is it easy for people to forget about dishonesty? Has anyone been dishonest towards them, and if so, how did they feel? How would the children react if someone told the truth?* Etc.

Honesty is a very important aspect of life as it affects everything, from our relationships to our careers. Rewarding children for being honest is a great way to encourage them to tell the truth at all times. Rewards help children associate an action as something **positive**, and in this case, that's honesty. This will create a more trusting environment at school and in the home.

Throughout the week, the children will be discussing in their classes what **Honesty** can both look and feel like to each of us, daily.

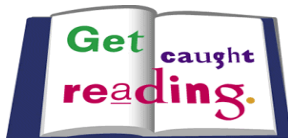
Remember we love to hear about how the children are showing and sharing our school values at home! Look out for examples when your child has shown honesty. Then simply message the class teacher via Class Dojo for a home nomination, which will be read out and celebrated at Daily Meeting.

Finally, Can-do Colin was out and about over the weekend and we can't wait to hear about all of his adventures – please do remember to send in some photos of his exploits with your child on Class Dojo.

Thank you - we really do value your input from home. 😊



Key Reminders



World Book Day was great fun in school last week – do look out for photos and news from your child's class team.



We are still running our **“Get Caught Reading”** initiative too. If you see your child reading – snap a photo and send it in on their Class Dojo with a comment of what they were reading and how they were enjoying their book. Each photo sent in will mean 20 bonus points for your child, each time a photo is sent in.



Friday 15th March – Red Nose Day

We are inviting all children and staff to wear red clothes if they choose for Friday 15th March for a small donation. The day will also include activities from the Red Nose charity to raise awareness of what this wonderful charity does to support people within the local community. Please be reminded that this does not include wearing football shirts please.

During "Work Wednesday" Whole School Meeting last week, we postponed the sharing of House learning for one week so that we could share with the whole school some of the fantastic photos from the Day Camp at Winmarleigh from the week before. So, so proud of the children – displaying our school values throughout the whole day!



Abseiling...!



The climbing wall – two very brave children from Elm Class!



A race in the rain – no problem!!



Setting off on the sensory trail...



The children put their trust in each other to negotiate the obstacles..... ☺



Headteacher Awards:

Oak Class: Jacob, for a fantastic Can-do attitude and excellent focus in all of his learning tasks and activities. 😊

Hazel Class: Archie C, for using his strategies and listening all week to adults helping and supporting him. 😊

Elm Class: Lucas, for always trying so hard with his learning this week and saying “OK” to adult instructions. 😊

Maple Class: Ella, for an excellent Can-do attitude and always using beautiful manners. 😊



**Neurodiversity
Celebration
Week**

18th – 24th March Neurodiversity Celebration Week

We will be celebrating with a range of activities throughout the week in school. We will be having a cake sale to raise money to support activities for our children in school, here at Stepping Stones. More information later this week!

Thank you for your continued support. The children continue to build positive relationships in class teams; and are busy making all of our new pupils feel welcome! Thank you so much for mirroring our school ethos and school values at home.

Please remember that we are here to support you and you can contact Mrs Armstrong (Family Support – Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday and Friday).

Ms Hamer and the whole staff team at Stepping Stones School

