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Dear Parents and Carers,

What another great week at school!

Staffing update
We are delighted to announce that Michelle Hodges has accepted the role of Teaching Assistant, replacing Mr Cole. Mrs Hodges will start in Willow Class after half term.
We are also excited to have two Oxford Brookes students with us in Rowan Class. They are in the first year of their teaching degree and made a great start this week.
Finally, the governors are pleased to announce that, following the nomination process, John O'Regan has joined the team as Parent Governor. John is dad to Zach in Year 4.
We hope you will join us in wishing everyone a warm welcome to the school.

Children's Mental Health Week – 7-11 February
Next week, we'll celebrate children's mental health week in school. As part of this, we would like the children to come in non-uniform on Tuesday 8th February. Please can one of the items they wear be in a colour to suit their mood.

School Council Valentines activities for Asylum Welcome
To help fundraise for our school charity, Asylum Welcome, the School Council have come up with a range of activities. Please could the children bring loose change on Friday 11th February to take part. The Council will also be judging a drawing competition – draw what love is. Please bring in your entry with a minimum donation of 20p on Friday 11th. On Monday 14th February, we'll have a 'wear what you love' day for a donation of £1+. All proceeds will be given to Asylum Welcome to support their important work.

Request for tissues!
We are always grateful for donations of tissues for the classroom, particularly at this time of year!

High flyers shorter sessions reminder
Don't forget that High Flyers will be offering a limited number of shorter sessions from after half term. These are now bookable via their website - http://www.highflyers.org.uk/.

Dates for your diary

8th February	Non-uniform day for Children's Mental Health Week
8th February	Safer Internet Day
8th February	Oak Class visit from a mountaineer
9th February	Rowan Class Trip to the Oxford Bus Museum
11th February	Activities for Valentines Day/Asylum Welcome – bring loose change

14th February	Wear the clothes you love day – for Asylum Welcome - £1+ donation
14th -18th February	Random Acts of Kindness Week
15th February	Woodstock PE Partnership Sports Hall Athletics for Years 5 and 6
18th February	Outdoor school concert for parents and carers – 2:30pm
18th February	Term 2 finishes at 3pm
28th February	Term 3 starts at 8:40am (gates open 8:35am)
1st March	Vision screening for Reception
3rd March	World Book Day

I hope you all have a lovely weekend.

Best wishes

Joy Baker
Headteacher