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*“Knowledge is  
power.  
Information is  
liberating.  
Education is the  
premise of  
progress, in every  
society, in every  
family”*

**Kofi Annan**

Welcome to our latest edition of the newsletter designed to keep you informed and share our many successes.

## Anti-Bullying Week – Form 1

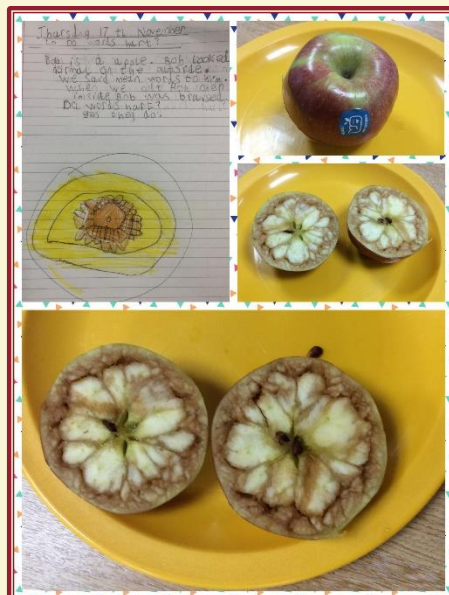
Q. Do words hurt?

In Form One we have been discussing bullying and the impact it can have. During one lesson we discussed how we can't always see the damage that is caused by the words we use.

Meet Bob the apple 🍏

Bob was a normal happy apple. One at a time we said something unkind to Bob. We examined him once again and found he still appeared to be okay. However, once we cut into Bob and looked inside, we discovered that he was certainly not okay. Despite everything being fine on the outside Bob was hurting inside and this hurt was spreading. We said sorry and tried to put him back together, but we were not successful. Although we meant our apology, those marks will stay with Bob. Moving forward, our job is to look after Bob and make sure we don't hurt him again. It was very interesting how many children answered no to the original question. After seeing what had happened to Bob, we had an interesting conversation about the power of the words we choose to use.

Report by Mrs Houseman





## KG2 – Celebrating Difference

This week KG2 discussed how we are the same and how we are different. We may like the same things, have the same colour hair or eyes, or enjoy the same games but it is also nice that we like different things. One of the children said that “if we were all the same, how would we know who we are!” On Friday we wore odd socks to show that we are all different and that we should be ourselves, accepting one another and celebrating difference.

Report by Mrs Boulton



## KG1 – Elmer artists

This week the children in KG1 have listened to the story of Elmer and understanding that we are all different. They then created their own fantastic Elmer Elephants for our classroom display.





## Children in Need

Jad in KG1 has been saving his pocket money and even sold some of his toys to raise money for BBC Children in Need. The whole class were given Pudsey ears to celebrate Jad's achievement. We are all very proud of him.

Report by Mrs Holroyd



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### *Exciting News*

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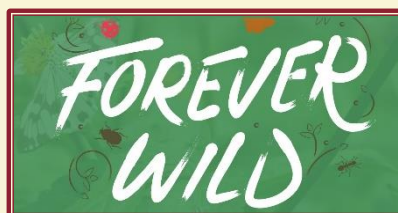
## Forest School

We are excited to share that starting this week [Forever Wild Forest School](#) will be delivering Forest School sessions to all the children from KG1 to Form 4 every fortnight (Form 5 and 6 will be timetabled later in the year).

This is an exciting opportunity for the children to explore the outdoors, while being in a safe and secure environment. It also increases the provision available for your children and supports their wellbeing.

The PTA have kindly agreed to purchase some all-in-one waterproof suits for the children in KG1 and KG2 – A BIG thank you to the PTA.

A letter has been sent home detailing what the children will need for the forest school sessions but if you have any queries please do not hesitate to contact Mrs Boulton – our Forest School champion.



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## Extra- Curricular

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### Swimming Success

Well done to Isabel who has just achieved her grade 6 in swimming.



### Gold!

Lucie received the award for most progressed and hardest worker at the MAG awards ceremony 2022. She was presented with her award by Giarnni Regini-Moran – Olympic Gold Medalist and World Champion. Lucie and her brother got to wear his medals. Well Done Lucie!



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## Useful Links

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### Anti-Bullying

Here are some useful links for parents :

[practical advice and top tips for parents](#)

[bullying advice for parents](#)

[brilliant video shared by CBBC Newsround](#)



## Celebration Assembly

Our weekly assembly is our way to celebrate all the success of our pupils. These are the commendations for last week.

KG1 – ☆Star of the week☆ - Jad

KG2 – Sachin & April

Form 1 – Onyinyechi & Mohammed

Form 2 – Whole Class

Form 3 – Jude & Harriet

Form 4 – Grace & Isabel

Form 5 – Tara

Form 6 – Fatima & Mariam



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### Eco-School

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#### **Eco-Tip of the Week**

*This week the energy saving tip from the eco-council is:*

*Switching off your devices is better than leaving them on standby.*

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### Social Media

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**Please see more of what we are up to on social media**

**Twitter** - [twitter.com/branwoodschool?s=11&t=Q7kv7YPOmKl2GQtX563BSw](https://twitter.com/branwoodschool?s=11&t=Q7kv7YPOmKl2GQtX563BSw)

**Instagram** - <https://instagram.com/branwoodschool?igshid=YmMyMTA2M2Y=>

**Facebook** - <https://www.facebook.com/BranwoodPreparatorySchool>

