



Thursday 24<sup>th</sup> February 2022

Dear Families,

I hope that you have had a lovely half-term break and that you have been well. I am pleased to be able to welcome all of the children back to school free from the Outbreak Management Plan. We have re-organised the school timetable so that we are not having to operate in year group 'bubbles' and hopefully we will be able to resume previously planned school visits and workshops and enjoy much missed Federated events.

Please continue to communicate with us via email or by calling the office and if you would like a face to face meeting, please request this via the school office and an appointment will be made.

Please don't forget your scheduled PAR appointment this Thursday 24<sup>th</sup> or Friday 25<sup>th</sup> February 2022. We will be selling plates of cakes in support of Macmillan Care so please bring some loose change.

### **A Piece of the Heart**

Thank you so much for your support of our Piece of the Heart Day and by contributing £2.00 in support of the Heart Cells Foundation. The children worked hard to gain a piece of the heart jigsaw by being physically and emotionally active, as a result of a series of activities planned to raise awareness. Across the Federation we managed to raise an incredible **£1725**. Thank you so much to you all.



### **Thank you and here welcomes a truly deserved retirement**

After 25 years we will be saying Happy Retirement to Mrs Searle this Easter. I cannot believe it! Mrs Searle is one of our Singlegate treasures and she has worked with so many children and staff in all year groups. I think that Mrs Searle will be most known and missed for her love of her role as an Emotional Literacy Support Assistant. Mrs Searle is the warm, 'nurture' of the school, which she will then take with her as she enjoys spending much more time with Edie, her little granddaughter. Edie is a lucky little girl to have such a loving Nanny. We will make sure that we give Mrs Searle plenty of wonderful memories to take away with her to show her how much we appreciate her.

We will also be saying Happy Retirement to Mrs Reed this Easter too. As the giver of support, care and attention to so many across the Federation, Mrs Reed will be very much missed. Mrs Reed has devoted hours and hours to many of our families and for that I am ever so grateful. The support that Mrs Reed has provided to many staff is very much appreciated and the time spent sharing her knowledge with us all too. Mrs Reed is off to warmer climates to enjoy much deserved time with her loved one(s). We will also make sure that we provide Mrs Reed with much loved memories of our children and our 'ways' to show our appreciation.

### **Curriculum plans-what to expect**

Please be aware that your child's Curriculum information letter and homework jigsaw will have been sent to you this week and that Rapid Recovery sessions resume this week too. We will continue to host a few additional Strength lies in Differences early evening workshops for families and have planned to invite families of Year 5 and 6 children for a Sex and Relationships Education workshop this half-term too.

### **Individual school photographs**

Please put Thursday 17<sup>th</sup> March 2022 in your diaries, as this will be the day that your child and their sibling will have their photo taken for you to purchase if requested.

The additional Bank Holiday to commemorate the Queen's Platinum Jubilee is planned for **Monday 6<sup>th</sup> June 2022**. This will mean that the school will be closed on this day.

I hope that you have a lovely week back with us,

Mrs Bull

Chief Executive Headteacher