

# FRIDAY LETTER

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## Out and About with Foundation Stage 2!

On Tuesday, Foundation Stage 2 children visited the library where they were read some stories about animals. They were very engrossed in the stories and their listening skills were fantastic. The children then went on a bear hunt looking for different bear characters from the stories. They really enjoyed looking at the books and brought some back to school for our reading garden.

Foundation Stage 2 children have also been learning about money and after their library visit, they went shopping at the bakery. They recognised the coins we had taken and used real money to buy their own cakes which were delicious! We would like to thank all parents and carers who supported us on our visit as, without your help, these trips would not be able to go ahead.



Foundation Stage 2 have had a very busy week this week! They also had a surprise visit from 'Mrs Jill Donaldson', 'sister' of Julia Donaldson, who came into class to get some help from the children in writing. The children enjoyed showing her how to write a sentence and she was very impressed with their writing skills. What an amazing week you've had, Foundation Stage 2.

## Young Voices Concert

We are all looking forward to taking the KS2 choir to the Manchester Arena on **Monday 22 January** to sing as part of the Young Voices Choir 2018. This is always an exciting event that children, staff and parents thoroughly enjoy and the children have been practising very hard to learn all the songs and actions. If your child is taking part, they will need a packed lunch to eat at tea time. We will be leaving school after lunch so if your child normally has a packed lunch, you may prefer them to have a school dinner on this day. If not, they will need 2 packed lunches (one for dinner and one for tea). Children will also need to take a water bottle or have an additional drink with them to keep them hydrated throughout their performance. They need to wear a white t-shirt (or a Young Voices T-shirt to get changed into), grey trousers or skirt and black school shoes. Children will return to school at 10.30 pm and must be collected by a responsible adult who is known to school staff and is on the contact list for your child. As in previous years, children are invited to take an authorised late start on Tuesday, following their late night, so are expected in school by 10.30 am on Tuesday morning. For parents and carers travelling on the coach with us on Monday, there was a separate letter sent out tonight with more information regarding the travel arrangements. If you have any concerns or queries, please contact the school office in the first instance.



**I CAN TALK ABOUT IT.**

Time to Talk Day is on 1 February 2018.  
Wherever you are, you can talk  
about mental health.

Parents and Carers,  
Join us at school for tea and cake on  
**Thursday 1<sup>st</sup> February at 2.15pm**

# WORD OF THE WEEK!

This week's word was: "Penniless"

*Poor, having no money*

"I'm penniless because I spent my last pound yesterday at the shop." (Maisie Mahoney, Y2)

"The mum had to pay the rent but she was penniless." (Skarlett Sexton, Y2)

"I was penniless when we went to town, because I had spent it all on clothes the night before!"

(Rebekah Robinson, Y5K)

Next week's word - "Preferable"

The challenge is set to see how often we can use these words in our talking and in our writing, both at school and at home with families. Please send in any examples used at home next week so we can celebrate this out of school learning with the children, with the best examples shared in Friday's assembly.

## STARS OF THE WEEK

★	FS1 AM	Finley	★	FS1 PM	Redgie	★
	FS2	Zara-May		Year 1	Emily	
	Year 2	Kaitlyn	★	Year 3	Ryan	★
	Year 4	Fodla		Year 5C	Jayden	
★	Year 5K	Lucas	★	Year 6	Thomas	★

## SEAL THEME

"Celebrating Being Unique"

Children spotted this week:

FS1 AM	Darin	FS1 PM	Patrick
FS2	Amelia	Y1	Kye
Y2	Charlie	Y3	Lilly McG
Y4	Magdalena	Y5C	Brooke
Y5K	Wiktoria	Y6	Leni

## BEST ATTENDANCE

Y 1 - 98.3 %  
Well Done!

Congratulations to our Stars, SEAL and Headteacher Award winners, who will all be invited to enjoy their lunch on the Captain's Table.

## Headteacher Award

The Headteacher's Award is given each week to children who have shown impeccable behaviour, outstanding attitudes and admirable learning skills.

This week the Headteacher's Award goes to:

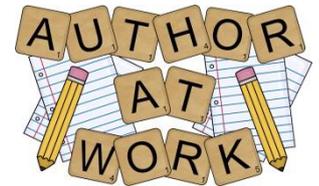
**Foundation Stage – Amira (FS1 AM)** for finding her voice. Amira is starting to hear initial phonemes and her confidence is soaring. She's a real phonics star!

**Key Stage 1 – Isobelle (Y1)** for her great attitude to learning. Isobelle is flying in phonics, soaking up everything she is being taught and then applying it to her learning. Amazing job, Isobelle.

**Key Stage 2 – Kyle (Y5K)** for his determination and resilience. Despite having some challenges this week, Kyle didn't give up on anything. He worked and worked until he got it right. Great achievement, Kyle!

## Budding Authors

This year, a small group of Year 5 children, Tyler, Harrison, Chloe and Megan, will be attending additional writing sessions for able writers at Beamont Collegiate Academy, along with other children from local primary schools. They will spend their time there working with authors and writing their own short stories. This is something our children have taken part in before, with exceptional results, so we are really looking forward to reading their creations later in the year.



## Reminder

Please ensure your child has their PE kit in school every day. The school PE kit is black shorts and a white t-shirt with pumps or trainers. Tracksuit bottoms and warm tops may be worn for outdoor PE during the cold weather.

