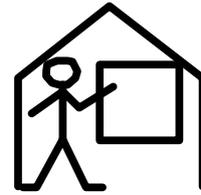


Friday 14<sup>th</sup> September 2018



Dear Parents and Carers,

I cannot believe that we are at the end of our second week back already! Everyone has settled in beautifully and the smiling faces that we are seeing around school are a delight. There has been lots of hard work taking place and the children have really hit the ground running. Some of our classes wanted to share what they have done so far.

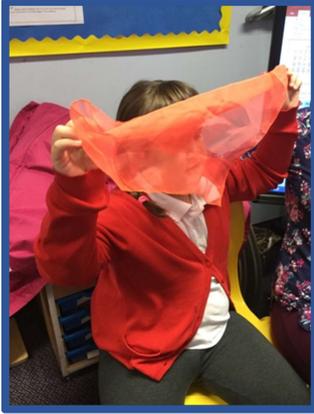
### Jaguar

Jaguar have had a great start to the year and have enjoyed their first full week back by investigating our exciting Forest School area. It has been the perfect place for the pupils to be at one with nature and play games with their new classmates- especially hide and seek! The class has been lucky to have a new member of staff and a new pupil, both of whom settled in brilliantly. If the last few days is anything to go by, it's going to be a fantastic year for Jaguar!



### Mercedes

The children in Mercedes Class have been working very hard since starting back at school last week. We have made a start on our topic about India by reading a lovely story called *My Mother's Sari* by Sandhya Rao. We love looking at all the vibrant colours and using the scarves to copy the actions of the little girl. We had two birthdays in the first week, so we made some delicious cakes and had a little party. We have also been taking our learning outside, we enjoyed looking for signs of Autumn on our nature walk and we had a fabulous time in our first Forest School session with Sharon and Lee.



### Brabham

Brabham have spent time getting to know each other and making new friends. We have been finding out what each other like and dislike. One of our favourite small group sessions was communication through music which allows us to practice eye contact, requesting and taking part in a social activity. As part of our community work we visited Pirate Park and look forward to visiting many more. In Mathematical Development we have started to learn about shapes.



### Arrows

Here in Arrows we have had a great start to the new school year. We all returned from our summer holidays excited to be back in school. It was wonderful to see our friends again and we have all picked up where we left off with our buddies. So far, we have enjoyed a few walks out in the surrounding neighbourhood. We have also begun to explore our topic of India through the architecture and the food.



### Aston Martin

Aston Martin have driven to India in our creative arts session! We have been learning about lots of different things associated with India. We have decorated our own Taj Mahal while some of us drew it following a 'how to' video. We created henna tattoos and explored the piping bags they use. We also used different coloured tissue paper to create Indian flags ready for our very bright and colourful classroom display.



### Red Bull

This week Red Bull class have been enjoying using and sharing different instruments in our communication sessions, such as clackers and drums. Arian and Jake took turns on the same drum and began to copy each other's rhythms - much to their delight!



### REMINDERS:

#### Snack money

It is again that point in the year when we have to ask for snack money. Please could we ask that you send in £5 to cover your child's snack for this half term? If you would prefer to send in £30 for the whole year this is also fine. The children get a broad selection of fruits, vegetables and treats for their snacks in school and £5 is exceptionally good value for money!

#### Leaflet

Being sent home today with the Friday letter is another information leaflet about the Evidence App. If you have not signed up already, we strongly advise you to do so, so you can keep up with all of the fabulous work your child is doing! If you have signed up but have forgotten your password, please let me know on [mike.russell@theredway.net](mailto:mike.russell@theredway.net)

Have a lovely weekend



Mike