



The
Orchards

BRIGHT FUTURES EDUCATIONAL TRUST

Newsletter

1st April 2022

Head Of School message

Easter Eggs

Thank you so much for all the wonderful donations of eggs we have had this morning. Next week we will be running our Easter raffle. Children can bring £1 into school to buy raffle tickets. We will draw the raffle on Friday morning. We will also be selling raffle tickets at the Easter Bonnet Parade next Wednesday.

Riding the Rapids

A big well done to all the parents who have recently completed the riding the rapids course in school. We know that has been a great opportunity for parents to learn new skills around managing Autism and coping with the challenges that brings. A couple of parents have expressed an interest in completing this course and we will be running it again in the Summer term alongside a selection of other parent / carer courses.

Miss Hearldon

It is with great sadness that we inform you that Miss Hearldon has decided to leave her post as Office Manager for The Orchard's. She has secured a position closer to her home and will begin there after Easter. I am sure you will all join us in wishing her all the very best and thanking her for all she has done over the past three years. We will be holding interview for a new office manager next week and will let you know once we have secured someone.

Easter Bonnet Parade

We will be holding our annual Easter Bonnet parade for ALL children on Wednesday afternoon at 2.15pm. If the weather is fine this will be held on the playground at the front of school, if the weather is against us we will hold the event in the hall - keep your fingers crossed for sunshine. To support parents with making bonnets we will open the hall on Tuesday afternoon from 1.30pm. This is to allow parents to come and make bonnets with their children. So that we can ensure we have enough supplies please book in via the booking form on Marvellous Me. The form will close at 12pm on Monday. We are asking for a £3 donation towards the cost of resources. This can be paid via parent pay. We look forward to seeing lots of creativity in our hall on Tuesday.



Easter Activities

Please find below a list of links to different family activities which are happening over Easter in Trafford. For ease these links have also been added to Marvellous Me.

- <https://www.familiesonline.co.uk/local/trafford/in-the-know/things-to-do-in-trafford-over-the-easter-holidays>
- <https://traffordpalazzo.co.uk/news/a-full-list-of-easter-garden-activities-here-at-trafford-palazzo>



Stay and Play

Please find below advanced notice of stay and play sessions for next half term. Booking forms will come out nearer the time to allow parents to book in.

- Woodland Pathway - 3rd May @1.30pm
- Meadows Pathway - 5th May @1.30pm
- Riverside & Hilltop Pathway - 10th May @1.30pm
- Brambles Pathway - 12th May @1.30pm

Diary Dates

Please see below lots of upcoming dates for your diaries.

08/04/2022 - Dr Madi on site

08/04/2022 - Last day before holidays

15/04/2022 - Good Friday

17/04/2022 - Easter Sunday

25/04/2022 - First day back from holidays



Class Awards

Brambles 1 - am class - Ian for being really engaged during activities

pm class - Joseph for showing an interest in his sensory circuit.

Brambles 2 - Fatima for great eye contact and being a happy and calm.

Brambles 3 - Annabel for transitioning independently to and from the bus

Meadows 1 - Lochlan for fantastic contextual verbal language following brilliant engagement with communication boards.

Meadows 2 - Saad for great work in his phonics lesson

Meadows 3 - All of Meadows 3 for showing fantastic acts of kindness this week!

Riverside 1 - Luca for using pictures to request going outside

Riverside 2 - Lenard for vocalising to gain a familiar adults' attention

Woodland 1 - Roya for fantastic engagement in activities and trying hard with her communication

Woodland 2 - Cole for becoming much more independent with his toileting. Amazing work Cole!

Woodland 3 - Riley for some excellent work in place value in maths

Woodland 4 - Ali for showing a great increase in confidence and using a bigger voice during play and learning

Woodland 5 - Aaron for his fantastic portrait drawing of his peer. Your attention to detail was impressive!

Hilltop - Maryam for consistently reaching for her wobble switch after a change of direction at mealtimes!

Head Award - Farhan for working so hard to tell us what he wants and needs.

Sign of the week

The sign of the week is 'SHARE'.



Working bent hand (palm in, pointing forward) moves down to supporting flat hand (palm up, pointing in) then springs up changing to flat hand (palm in, pointing forward) and moves back down to rest on supporting palm.

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