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Headteacher's news:

It has been a very busy and, at times, stressful week. Monday reminded us that although restrictions are easing, we still need to remain vigilant. I was sad to have had to close Y2 Cherry Tree Class and am sorry for the inconvenience this caused but we must remain focussed on the reasons for this - the health and safety of the school community continues to be our priority.

On Tuesday and Wednesday we used School Cloud to facilitate parents' evening with mixed results. The large majority of meetings went according to plan and the technology supported productive meetings. We had some WiFi problems in school (4 of our Wireless Access Points were down making our internet connectivity irregular) and some parents had difficulties from home too; we managed to speak to most parents on the phone in these instances. On the whole, the feedback I have had from teachers is that the meetings went well and that they enjoyed speaking with you. Thank you for the part you played in these collaborative conversations.

Last night I had a teaching and learning governors meeting and we discussed current attainment across school, the impact of the recent lockdown and catch-up plans for the rest of the year. Hopefully parents' evening gave you the important information about the part you can play in supporting your child at home.

Have a lovely bank holiday weekend.



Leeds
Safeguarding
Children Board

Last Friday the school had a visit from the Leeds Safeguarding Team for and audit of safeguarding and child protection procedures. This is an intensive and rigorous monitoring visit and the school last had one over 5

years ago. The audit went very well and we received the report this week. Included in the feedback was the following statement: *'The school's safeguarding arrangements evidence many areas of exemplary practice which are to be celebrated, as is the passion and commitment that staff have towards safeguarding children in their school.'*

Click below to see what has been happening in your child's class this week.

[Nursery](#) [Reception](#) [Y1 Pear](#) [Y1/2 Lime](#) [Y2 Cherry](#)

[Y3 Willow](#) [Y3/4 Cedar](#) [Y4 Beech](#)

[Y5 Oak](#) [Y5/6 Ash](#) [Y6 Maple](#)



Item from last week: The Children's Commissioner has launched [a survey](#) to gather the views of young people after COVID. The results will be used to inform the government of what children and young people need to live happier lives. Please click on the link above to complete it.



Friends of Rufford Park - the PTA met last Thursday to discuss fundraising opportunities for rest of the academic year: they are raising money for KS1 playground improvements. The next initiative is a Bag2School collection which will take place on 21 May. [Click here](#) to find out more. There are further plans for this summer term which will be communicated to you in due course. If you would like to get involved with the PTA, please contact Rhiannon or Claire - email: ruffordparkpta@gmail.com There is also an active Facebook page.

Dates for the diary

Monday 3 May - Bank Holiday.

Thursday 6 May at 5:30pm virtual meeting to provide an opportunity to further discuss our PSHE curriculum.

Monday 28 June: Teacher Training Day.