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Dear Families

As we come to the end of my second full term, I have had the opportunity to reflect on what we managed to achieve, keeping the academy open was a struggle with a lot of staff absence. The children coped with any disruption caused and all pulled together to ensure a purposeful learning environment. I am looking forward to watching the children playing outside enjoying the great weather post Easter, although it seems a long way away as the snow comes down. We are in for a busy term with lots of exciting things happening across the school. We are always looking for ways to develop, grow and improve as a school to ensure the best for all our children.

We have some refurbishments taking place over the coming weeks, which I am very excited about, and these will continue until the end of the summer holidays. We will be taking delivery of an outside shelter in the key stage 2 playground, so we have a nice reading area for the children to enjoy. New markings will be painted on both playgrounds which are focussed on both play and learning. These improvements form part of the Melissa Hatton Trust charity, and there are lots more to come. Children have planted their own sun flowers and will watch them grow. These can then be taken home or planted within school. Melissa was part of the young farmers association, and this fantastic group will be attending the Academy over a few weekends to fence off and tidy both the sensory garden but also start to create our own Forest Schools area. They will be building planters to be looked after, one for each class, and a pond will be dug out and filled in preparation to support science teaching within the curriculum.

It was a delight to see so many parents joining us for parents evening. I hope you enjoyed seeing the children's work and listening to their attitude to learning. We think it is so important for you to be part of the school and to come in and see the wonderful curriculum we are developing. We shall have an open day very soon to allow you to come and see learning in action.

There are lots trips and events planned for all classes for the remainder of the year. These will be updated in my newsletters and those later confirmed bookings will be communicated via Class Dojo and Groupcall.

I would like to thank you for your continued support in helping us make our school one which really makes a difference to the children. We want them to thrive and develop a passion for learning and we couldn't do this without you working with us. Our school values of Respect, Responsibility and Resilience is evident in the children each day. It has been a pleasure to be part of such an amazing children's education and I am very excited about how we can continue to work together to grow and bring our families into our school to become a school community we can all be proud of.

Kindest regards

David Jane
Principal

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