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Dear Parents and Friends,

Gold Book Awards

Each half term Collective Worship has a different theme and every Friday a child from each class will be chosen for recognition of that value in their learning. This term the theme is Creativity and the following children were given a Gold Book Award this week: Katherine in Saplings; Barnaby in Maple Class; Sienna in Silver Birch and Libby in Oak class. Well done to all of these children.

Greenfingers Club

This club has got off to a great start and the children have been busy harvesting the fruits of their labours from last term including carrot and runner bean picking as can be seen in the photographs.





The club also entered a sunflower growing competition run by Fillpots Nurseries in Boxted and whilst our school didn't win, we received a special mention for coming close and narrowly missing out on a prize this year.

Football Club and Lacrosse Club

There are still places available at the Monday after school Football club run by a Colchester United Football in the Community coach. This is available to both boys and girls, so why not give it a try? The Lacrosse club which is run by Premier Sports on Fridays after school also has some availability, so do consider seeing if your child would like to come along.

Playground Improvements

Many thanks to Mr Drew and Mr Walker for their hard work last weekend in re-building the raised bed island in the playground. It has made a huge difference as can be seen by the photographs below.







Harvest Festival

This will be held in the church on **Friday 11th October at 9.15am**. All parents and friends are very welcome to join us for the service which will be led by Reverend Mark and assisted by the children. Please can you send in any contributions for our harvest parcels on Wednesday 9th October (if possible) or Thursday 10th October. Please ask your children to take them to the activity area. We welcome fresh or tinned/packaged food, but please make sure that it is in date as we are unable to use out of date items. As part of their community work, children from Silver Birch will deliver harvest parcels around Stoke by Nayland on the afternoon of Thursday 10th October.

Jeans for Genes

Thank you for supporting our Jeans for Genes day last Friday. We managed to raise £50.00 for the charity which is a great result.

Parents' Evenings

Parents' Evenings this term will be on Tuesday 19th November from 3.45pm -5.30pm, and Thursday 21st November from 4.45pm to 6.30pm. This will be an opportunity to discuss your child's progress so far this term. Further details will be sent home nearer the time about how to book.

Book Sale

Many thanks to all who have donated towards our book sale. So far over £20 has been received. Don't forget to have a look if you haven't already done so after school.

Diary Corner

Date	Event
11 th October	Harvest service at the church
16 th & 17 th October	Bikeability - Year 5 only
13 th November	School Photographer in school
19 th November	Parents' Evening 3.45pm – 5.30pm
21st November	Parents' Evening 4.45pm – 6.30pm
9 th December	Flu Vaccinations

With best wishes

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