



**Dear Parents and Carers,**

Firstly, I would like to thank all of the families who supported our guinea pig-naming competition, as this has raised valuable funds for feeding and caring for our pets. The children all had chance to vote to name our guinea pigs, and the winning names were Carrot and Parsnip, chosen by Gabrielle! We had lots of great suggestions, but these are perfect names for our two girls!

Hopefully, you have all now received the link for our online Easter service. It has been sent via email and can also be accessed on the Class Dojo school story. Please don't share this link publicly – parents have consented for their children to take part based on the YouTube link being private, and accessible only by the families of our pupils. We hope that you enjoy this service – the children have really enjoyed taking part. We also enjoyed Easter worship outdoors with Reverend Armstrong this afternoon, in our spiritual garden, which the children haven't done for some time.

Below you will find important information about next term, including changes to staffing in Hummingbird and Robin classes, and costume ideas for our Summer Term launch day on the first Wednesday of the new term. This information has also been sent home in a letter, and shared on Class Dojo. In the meantime, I hope that you all have a peaceful, restful and enjoyable Easter break, and we look forward to welcoming everyone back for a more settled Summer Term!

*Mrs Deborah Sadler*  
**Headteacher**



**REMINDERS & NOTICES**

**Changes to Mrs Hipkins' Role**

Congratulations to Mrs Hipkins, who will begin her new role as full time SENDCo across three schools (Lower Heath, Tilstock and Grange Primaries) after the Easter break! This is a well-deserved next step for Mrs Hipkins, and we know she will continue to be fantastic! Moving up to teach Robin Class will be Mrs Gallimore-Johnson, who achieved her Qualified Teacher Status last year. This is a great opportunity for her, and is also very well-deserved. She knows the Robin children incredibly well too. Miss Lauren Williams will continue to lead nursery, with Mrs Gallimore-Johnson's supervision and guidance.

**Accelerated Reader Winners**

Each week, we will share the news of some fabulous readers, based on their Accelerated Reader successes! This week's winners are:

**Skylarks:**  
 Franky and Georgia

**Kingfishers:**  
 Mateen, Gracie-May, Poppy H and Nathan

**Owls:**  
 Billy M, Charlotte B, Isaac, Owen and Amelia D

Well done everyone!

**Summer Term Launch Day!**

Our launch day will be held on **Wednesday 21<sup>st</sup> April**. Details of each class topic, and costume ideas, were sent home in a letter earlier this week, and are posted on Class Dojo, but a summary is below:

**Nursery /Reception:** "Planes, Trains and Automobiles". Children could dress up as their favourite transport type, or as somebody who operates a method of transport.

**Years 1 and 2:** 'Food Glorious Food'. Pupils could dress up as their favourite food item, or as somebody who works in a café or restaurant.

**Years 3 and 4:** 'Castles, Rivers and Moats'. The theme for their dress-up is 'knights and horses'.

**Years 5 and 6:** 'Stone Age to Iron Age'. Children might choose to dress up as cavemen or cavewomen for this day.

**WORSHIP**



Next half term, in worship, we will be returning to the Christian value of **perseverance**. During the first week back, we will be looking at **"Running the Race of Life" (Hebrew 12.1-2)**. If children have any prayers, linked to this theme, that they would like to share during worship, they would be very welcome to do so.

**CELEBRATION!**



**Happy Birthday to:**

Bella-May, Kimi and Blake who celebrate their birthdays this week, or during the Easter break!



**AWARD WINNERS**

Congratulations to this week's **Headteacher Award winners**, who are:

**Hummingbirds:** All of the nursery children!

**Robin Class:** Matthew, Ella-May, Arthur and Enid

**Skylark Class:** Georgia, Sam, Tilly and Poppy E

**Kingfisher Class:** Gabrielle, Ava L, and Poppy H

**Owl Class:** Liam, Riley and Daisy

**UPCOMING EVENTS**

**Monday 19<sup>th</sup> April:** Start of Summer Term  
**Wednesday 21<sup>st</sup> April:** Summer Term Topic Launch Day



**Easter Egg Trail**

Holy Immanuel Falls | Christ Church Tilstock | St Alkmund's Whitchurch

- Discover the story of easter!
- Follow a Trail sheet around the grounds to find the eggs and retell the easter story!
- Trail sheet provided and available by following the QR code

2nd-18th April  
 Free & Fun for all ages!

 [stalkmunds.com](http://stalkmunds.com)  
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**Girls' Football**

Well done also to **Charlotte B, Sophia and Olivia B**, who represented North Shropshire in the girls' district football team this week. They won their match on Tuesday, 15-0!!! Great job girls!!!

