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Dear Parents,

Following my Head Teacher's challenge of last week, I have issued 29 Head Teacher stickers with 6 more pending if I can finish this letter and get round to congratulate the children before the end of the day. I was so pleased with all the children's suggestions and have two favourites, namely to be brave and try new things and to take care of other people's feelings. Well done to all the children for involving themselves in this challenge.

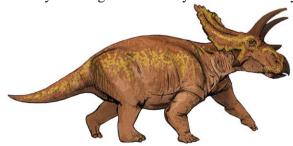
The theme for assembly next week is 'A sense of belonging' where staff will be talking about family, wider friendships, organisations/clubs that children and or families belong to, their school family, Plymouth family, their national and international family. Quite a wide brief! Within the assembly there will also be a clear message about safety and helping children to be aware of people that they can trust and how to get help if they need it. A conversation at home would be very supportive if you could include it in your weekend discussions.

Parents' Evening

An opportunity to talk with your child's teacher is being made available for Tuesday 6th and Wednesday 7th February from 3pm until 5.50 on each day. A paper copy request sheet is being sent home in book bags today. If you cannot access the paper copy, please download the request sheet on the website and return it to school with your request. Where parents are not living together, we do ask that you come along to the same appointment to talk with your child's teacher but where this is not possible, please request a separate appointment time. If you live away from Plymouth, staff will hold a telephone update with you so please request that if you cannot attend.

Request for parental help on Wednesday 17th January

Ash, Cedar and Oak teachers would like to request help on Wednesday 17th January during the morning or the afternoon to support their Dinosaur Day. Help is particularly needed from parents who have children in Y1 or Y2 (who have already had the 'dinosaur experience') and who already hold a DBS with us. This request is also to any governors who can offer their time. The teachers will explain what is involved but I do hope that a good number of you will be able to volunteer. Please e-mail me or speak directly to any of the Foundation Stage teachers on Monday morning to volunteer your time. Thank you











I do hope that you have a most enjoyable weekend. I have some lovely books that I was given for Christmas so hope to make a start on one of those and I will be ordering my bee hive (flat pack) this weekend in preparation for receiving a nucleus of bees late in spring. I will keep you posted on my progress although I think we are a long way off from having any honey!



Yours sincerely,

E.A. Hill Head Teacher