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Dear Parents and Carers,

I am writing to thank you for your ongoing support with your child's learning. Whether it be reading in class in the mornings, settling your children in the Nursery, reading at home and helping with homework or practicing spellings and times tables, your support makes an enormous difference to the progress children make. All the educational research, as well as common sense and our own observations show what an impact help from home has on a child's educational outcomes as well as their long term aspirations. As a Dad I remember how wonderful it was to spend a bit of time reading or just talking with my own children about their school and their learning. It does not have to be hours and hours but a bit of dedicated time makes such a difference!

I have been in discussions with members of FOGS and Garry Jay, our Premises Manager, about galvanising a bit more of your brilliant support and goodwill! I know a group of parents have been talking about adding a bit of colour to our grey playground. School budgets have been cut in real terms in recent years and the money we have to spend on our building and premises has been reduced significantly. Our wonderful Victorian listed building is suffering from age as well as number of floods and our whole environment is looking shabby and run down. I have saved a bit of money to spend on the full decoration of the classes that were wrecked by water damage following the massive floods caused by vandalism last year. However there are other areas inside and out that I think we could work on together to improve. So if you are a dab hand with a paintbrush or gardening fork then come and speak with myself or Tracey Summers (Chair of FOGS and Freddy, Stanley and Tommy's Mum) or Garry and we can see if sort out a few days at weekends to give us a bit of a facelift and improve the learning environment for our children.

Please come and speak with me if you wish to discuss any of these matters.

Yours sincerely

David Ashley, Headteacher.



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