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Happy New Year to you all. It has been a brilliant first few days back in school. The children have come back in a really positive way despite the wet weather. This week in assembly, we talked about a 1000 year old tree called the Cathedral Oak. It is one of the oldest trees in the UK and must have lived through some amazing times. The children found this a fascinating topic of conversation and it made them think about their own impact on the world. The children thought about something they could change this year to have a positive impact on their own lives or the lives of those around them – a bit like a new year resolution. What did your child come up with?

Dates for your Diary

- **Friday 10th Feb** – End of half term
- **Monday 20th Feb** – Non-Pupil Day
- **Tuesday 21st Feb** – Start of term
- **Friday 31st Mar** – End of Spring term

Tea Time Talk

We want to encourage all the children to develop their speaking and listening skills so they widen their vocabulary and increase their understanding of the world. We do this in lots of ways in school and one of these is through our 'Question of the Week' in Wednesday's assembly.

This term, the 'Question of the Week' will be shared on the Newsletter in the week before it is discussed in school. We are hoping that you will find an opportunity to have a chat about it at home, perhaps at tea time. This will give your child some prior knowledge and ideas to use in the assembly with the rest of the children in their family group. This week's teatime talk question is...

If a famous person could come and teach a class in your school, who would you choose and what should they teach?

Smart Watches

We've noticed an increase in the number of children wearing smart watches to school. These are amazing technology that can be so much more than just a normal watch. If your child has a smart watch that has functions such as voice recording or messaging, please come and speak to a member of the office team before sending them to school wearing it.

School Places for September 2023

It is coming up to the deadline when applications for school places in September 2023 close. This is Sunday 15th January. If you or someone you know has a child who is due to start school in September, please make sure that a place is applied for before this date.

The link to the Devon School Admissions site can be found below.

<https://www.devon.gov.uk/educationandfamilies/school-information/apply-for-a-school-place/apply-for-a-primary-school-place/>

I hope you have a great weekend,

Eddie Brown

SAFE, RESPECTED AND READY TO STEP OUT INTO THE WORLD

Belong

Creative

Sustainability

Curious

Empowered

