

February School Report

**Train up a child in the way he should go, and when he is old he will not depart from it.
Proverbs 22:6**

We're well into the spring term now, with all children and staff having a well-earned rest over the Christmas holidays. In spite of ongoing COVID-related restrictions in school, the children continue to lead a busy school life. In January, we welcomed former NBA basketball player, Paul Sturgess, into school to talk to the children about his experiences as a professional basketball player and now actor. He also led basketball sessions with each class throughout the day. At 7' 7" tall, he certainly made an impression on children and staff!

The children continue to take part in out-of-school sporting tournaments, including football and basketball matches. The School Council is still going strong, with children currently consulting their classmates on their preferred activities to celebrate this year's Platinum Jubilee. They're also very excited to have been given the opportunity to help with the planned Sensory Garden in the parish and to choose something to put into the time capsule too, so thank you to the Parish Council for these opportunities. Entries for the '20's Plenty' poster competition are still coming in thick and fast, and we hope to pick a winner before the February half-term.

Alongside our well-attended before and after school clubs and sporting sessions, we now also run Debutots once a week after school. This is an activity club aimed at the younger members of school (Key Stage 1) and is proving very popular with our children.

Having calmed down for a little while, the regular issue of problematic parking at pick-up and drop-off times seems to be on the rise again. We're continuing to work with the local Policing team and the village hall, which kindly allows parents to use the car park, to try and find a more long-term solution to this problem.