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To all Parents/Carers,

A big thank you to Councillor John Whitby, the Mayor of Derby City, for visiting us in school on Monday. He joined us for the whole morning and spoke to the children about his role in the city, his chosen charities and how he hopes to make the City of Derby a better place. He even took some questions from the children and he was very impressed with what they had to ask. There was a question about Growth Mindset, what his favourite part of the job was and why a Firework Concert had been cancelled in the local area! He then had a tour of the building with the school council and spoke to them about the importance of the outdoors and conservation. I think we certainly have some future Mayors of Derby City in our midst!

A big thank you also for attending this week's Parent/Carer consultations. Although the booking system was new and the timings were slightly different there has been lots of positive feedback. Nonetheless, it has come to my attention that it was a bit noisy in the hall from time to time (given the number of appointments that were being held at the same time) so we will look to address that when we have our next meetings in the new year. If you are still yet to see your child's teacher then please make an appointment as soon as possible. It is vitally important that you have that opportunity to talk about your child's progress and how they have settled into the new year. Please ring the office to arrange an appointment if you need to.

In other news, our ongoing work towards Artsmark Gold culminated in some really enjoyable 'Pop Up' Art exhibitions at Kedleston Rd Training Centre for Y1 and Y4.

Enhancing the profile of the Arts is a big focus for the school over the next twelve months and this is just one of the many exciting activities that we have planned/are planning. This includes another one of our celebration assemblies (Dance, Singing or Drama) and more work in the Spring Term.



Just a few other announcements, next week is Anti Bullying Week and we will be focusing on E-Safety (as mentioned in last week's Weekly Word). Also, next Friday we are asking the children to come dressed in spots to help support Children in Need Day.

Have a good weekend

Mr I. Johnson



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