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To all Parents/Carers,

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Plenty of tweets on offer this week across the school, many of them showing what another busy week it has been. Starting with the top left, the children have been creating poppies in class to help support a very worthy project in the city being led by one of our parents. Each class has approached it in a slightly different way and the results have been fantastic!

In the middle, children in Y6 have been learning about how old they are on different planets. Indeed, there appears to be quite a strong focus on Science this week where children in other classes (see far right) have been evaluating the different properties of materials. As mentioned in previous weekly words, we are currently in the process of working towards ScienceMark – an award specifically for schools around the quality and provision of Science. There will be more to come on this throughout the year but we have already made a good start.

In other news, Miss Herriman has just launched a new project called '[Digital Leaders](#)'. This is an exciting opportunity for children in Y5 and Y6 whereby they will be invited to support the school's commitment towards Computing and E-Safety by getting training, leading lessons in other classes and basically being on the forefront of whichever technological avenues we take. Again, more will follow on this in the next few weeks.

Just a few other things that are happening in school...Firstly, although the date has not yet been confirmed, we will be extending the car park to make more space for cars. With 420 children and nearly 90 staff (including our wrap-around provision with YMCA), it simply isn't big enough and we have exhausted all other solutions to this problem (e.g. parking at the training centre, car shares, park and ride with the Jonty Farmer). The impact on the playground will be minimal and we also hope it will make the car park safer and easier to navigate for some of our children who arrive in the disabled bay. Secondly, our Mental Wellbeing workshops with [Bridge the Gap](#) are filling up nicely so please contact the office to avoid missing out. The first one is already full so get in touch asap if you would like to be involved. And finally, thank you to you all for supporting World Mental Health Day – you helped us to raise nearly £340, all of which will be donated to YoungMinds! Well done!!

Have a lovely weekend,

Mr I. Johnson