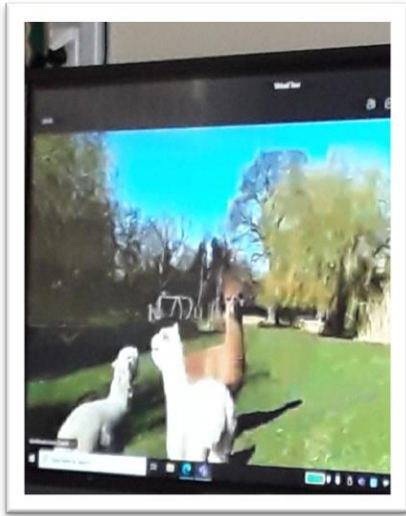


Weekly Word

19.3.2021



To all Parents/Carers

Another week of outdoors (and virtual outdoors) this week! On the left we have the Reception children paying a virtual visit to a local farm. They saw chickens, pigs, a donkey and some llamas! In the middle, some of our Y1 children in the forest school area building habitats for woodland creatures. And on the right, our Y2 children going on a scavenger hunt (where they had to find various items such as one smaller than your thumb, one that was rough and one that was green!).

On the topic of outdoors, I had a really positive meeting with the PTFA this morning; namely Sarah Cook, Eve Pugh and Sally Ward. It's been a while since we could actually put some events/ideas in the calendar but they are back and raring to go! One thing they did ask me was 'what would you want to spend any PTFA funds on?'. This is a question I have been asked in previous years and we have always opted for laptops, tablets or books. This year, however, with the idea of a community space still very much on the horizon, we feel that this would be a good target to aim for. Rather than convert the outdoor shelter by the bike rack into a space (which could now cost anywhere between 65k and 70k), we are entertaining the idea of a portable classroom to the left of the MUGA (see an example below).



They are a third of the cost and still allow us to meet our community outreach goals. So, this is what all PTFA funds will go towards and there will be more information to follow (including a Blue Peter style totaliser for everyone to keep an eye on!). **If you have any contacts in this area or any kind of expertise then please get in touch.**

Opening the school to the community is the next big step we want to take so all help (and donations!) are very welcome! Hope you have a good weekend and see you all on Monday.

Mr Johnson