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**Wonder Week at Alston Lane: 7<sup>th</sup> January to 11<sup>th</sup> January**

# Community Spirit

Dear Year 3/4 Parents

The new term will start again with a Wonder Week, filled with creative activities that promote a particular theme. The purpose of our next Wonder Week is to help our children understand how diverse our wider community is and to promote tolerance and respect. We also want our children to appreciate that they have responsibility to contribute positively to their community, so we are going to focus on improving our Eco garden to make it a better place for us all to use and enjoy.

Years 3 and 4 will be learning about how elderly people cope in our community and we are hoping to visit a local care home to spend time with the residents, although this is yet to be confirmed. We are also going to invite the children's grandparents and great grandparents to a tea party on Friday 11<sup>th</sup> January at 2.45pm in the school hall which the children will organise as part of the week's activities. It would be lovely if the children's grandparents/great grandparents could also send in some photographs of when they were young for the children to look at during the week and compare to today.

To improve our Eco garden Year 3 will be designing and creating some recycled decorations and Year 4 will be painting some plant pots ready for flowers in the springtime.

On Friday we are delighted that Stuart Robinson (Team GB Wheelchair Rugby Player) will be spending the morning with us. He will set up a sports circuit in our hall which he will complete alongside each class. After tiring us all out, Stuart will give an assembly to the whole school which we have no doubt will inspire all children to persevere, so they can achieve their own personal goals.

## Preparation for January

Ask your grandparents and great grandparents if they can come to the tea party on Friday 11<sup>th</sup> January.

Collect photographs to show what life was like when your grandparents or great grandparents were young to share with your class.

As all children will be spending time in the Eco Garden please can you make sure that your child has wellies, a warm coat, hats and gloves in school from the start of the week. It is also important that PE kits are in school so all children can take part in the sports circuit with Stuart Robinson.

We look forward to welcoming the class back in the New Year and wish you all a Merry Christmas.

Yours sincerely,

Mrs Bell and Mrs Maher

