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Dear Families,



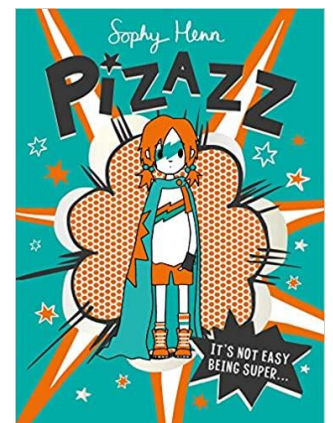
It has been absolutely AMAZING to see so many children from Year 2 and Year 4 in school enjoying time with their teachers and friends. We believe that this opportunity to 'connect' is really very important for our children ahead of the summer break and we hope the children will have come home having had a wonderful day! By the end of term we will have seen most of our families in one way or another! Fingers crossed the sun continues to shine and we can enjoy our school grounds in this way.

We continue to wait for further guidance from the government about arrangements for September and will be in touch as soon as we know more with details about what to expect.

I am delighted to let you know that Sophy Henn, our amazing Patron of Reading, has confirmed that she will continue supporting our school for another year! We have been following the journey of Sophy's newest book, 'Pizazz', which is due to be published in August. Sophy has fascinated us all with sneak previews of the illustrations and the development of characters and plot! Here is her latest update which arrived in school last week and we would love you to share as a family. We



would love to pass on letters, cards or drawings to Sophy (even name suggestions for the new character!) so please do drop these off to the school office and we can post them in our Sophy Henn mailbox! It has been such a privilege to have an insight into the journey of her newest book and it promises to be very special.



Being a superhero is the best thing ever, right? WRONG!

HELLO! My name is **Pizazz** and I'm a superhero...

You probably think that's really **AWESOME** and while it can be, it's also **REEEEEEEEEAALLLLLY** annoying.

Don't believe me? Well, I have to wear the same outfit **ALL THE TIME?!** I'm always dashing off to save the world right in the middle of fun stuff. Plus I have to be the good guy even when I might not want to be. And sometimes I just want to be, well, normal.

You see, it's not easy being SUPER ...

PS. DON'T even ask me about my super "POWER"

Did you know it's National Independent Bookshop Week? Do support our favourite independent book shop, The Book Nook, Hove, by ordering your copy of Pizazz online or popping in to visit their shop:

<https://booknookuk.com/> We have worked with the Book Nook in Hove for many years and they supported the regeneration of our school library. The team at the Book Nook are hugely knowledgeable and helpful. It's well worth a visit over the summer holidays!



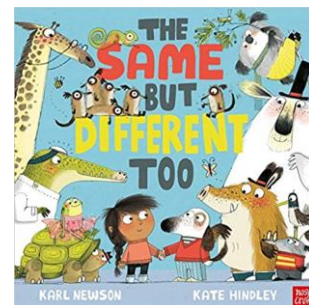
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Our story this week is 'The Same But Different Too' which is a lovely new book by Karl Newson and Kate Hindley for our collection. Another helpful interpretation of our 'only one you' message: a very simple idea - the countless differences, big and small, between us all.

You can watch the story here:

<https://youtu.be/y-LSFbiJ5YA>



Our 'only one you' vision is as relevant to each of the families, children and staff members who make up our school family. It is a vision that celebrates the uniqueness of us all. What richness there is in a school community made up of so many different gifts and talents!



The time is drawing close for us to wave goodbye to our amazing Meerkat class. We are so enormously proud of this group of children who have blossomed and grown into wonderfully independent, self-motivated and determined learners and are sad not to be able to send them off with our usual range of special events that we know are very important to them- the summer production, sports day, leavers' assembly... and so much more. Mr Cutting and Mr Servant have been busy growing ideas and thinking differently - so this term we are delighted to be able to invite our two Meerkat bubbles to an evening event being hosted at school called 'Premiere!' which will be a very special opportunity to bring the term to a close. When the restrictions are lifted, we will be in a position to be able to invite our whole Meerkat class back together to celebrate them properly and that is a day we really look forward to!

INSET days are valuable opportunities for the staff team to learn together, to reflect on our practice and collaborate on exciting projects in school. Each year we share with you what the focus of these days is and how they link to our school development plan - we intend to do the same this year! We have finalised our INSET days for the next academic year and thought it might be helpful for you to have them to put into your calendars:



Thursday 3rd September

Friday 4th September

Monday 2nd November

Monday 22nd February

Friday 28th May

A couple of reminders:

*Our beautiful BOOK EXCHANGE is available to families to come and make use of 24-7. Do make sure you pop a book in exchange for the book you take out! It will be there all summer and beyond as a legacy to this time.

*There are still many 'little brown bags' waiting for collection in the entrance area to school for your children to take part in the FOFs 'Reflections' art installation. Please do remember to return these to school so that they can be added to the collection.

With my kindest regards

Naomi Day