

Wednesday 2nd September 2020

Dear Parents/ Carers,

Welcome back to you and the children for the new academic year. I am writing this letter to inform you about an exciting project we will be working on this year to create a special area outside the hall and around the MUGA for the children to utilise in supporting their learning, well-being and creativity. Perhaps, in light of the challenges we have faced together in the last six months, the project has taken on a new importance to create a legacy of hope for the future as well as a positive opportunity to remember the care and support we have given one another and which has permeated throughout our community.

The new area will be known as 'Oak Meadow's **PEACE** garden' – **P**ositive **E**nvironment **A**cknowledging and **C**elebrating **E**verybody. The vision is for the PEACE garden to be a place of beauty filled with memories, hopes and dreams for the future. We would like to invite contributions from you as we look to work with a local artist, Steve Edwards (the artist whose work inspired 'Project Relight' in Wolverhampton), to create a possible mural dedicated to the history of Wednesfield, Ashmore Park and Oak Meadow. We would like you to send in any photographs or written recounts of the key events and changes that have taken place in our community as we look to represent these in the artwork within the PEACE garden area.

We will begin planning work with Steve the first week of October so we are requesting that you send any written recounts or pictures directly to the school office or submit them to the school email address by the end of September: oakmeadowprimaryschool@wolverhampton.gov.uk

We would also like to know if you or a family member or friend have any resources and/or skills that you would like to donate to the cause! We are always overwhelmed with how far-reaching the support and generosity of Oak Meadow family travels. From discussions with children, they have highlighted how they would love different artwork, beautiful flowers and plants, sculptures and water features, sensory journeys and links to nature. If you, or someone you know of, would like to contribute please let me know. I hope that together we can create a nurturing environment for all of the children to enjoy and appreciate throughout their journey at Oak Meadow.

Thank you for your continued support as we look forward to a happy and healthy school year.

Kind regards,

Mr. Lane

From tiny acorns **mighty oaks** grow...

