

22.10.21

Dear Parents and Carers

Message from Mrs Rawlins – 22.10.21 – sorry!

I just wanted to let you know about a couple of things from today!

Year 3 visitor from the Fitzwilliam Museum: This morning, our Year 3 classes had a visit from one of our parents whose work at the Fitzwilliam Museum has recently involved curating a new exhibition called 'Gold of the Great Steppe'. The exhibition shows 2,500-year-old gold artefacts from East Kazakhstan, most of which depict animals, both real and mythical, and explores the world of the Saka people who created them. The children were fascinated to learn about the artefacts, which have only been found in the last three years, and the exhibition at the Museum has very much been constructed to engage children. You do need to book (free) tickets to visit the exhibition, but it could be a lovely thing to do during half-term! The booking link is here: [The Fitzwilliam Museum - Booking page for the exhibition](#). I will add some photos to the news and events part of the school website a bit later.

Wear Red Day (Show Racism the Red Card): We have had a great day in school as we have shown support for the 'Show Racism the Red Card' campaign. In KS1, the children have dressed in red, made red cards, and talked about being kind. Lots of children have written on their cards. Some of the words they chose were: 'Be kind', 'Love each other' and 'Be a good friend'.

KS2 children came out to the playground a bit before playtime, and were each given a red card. We talked about how we could show how strongly we feel about saying NO to racism. The children spread out across the playground. We all held up our red cards and shouted, 'We say "NO" to racism!' We then turned to face Carlton Way, held up our red cards and shouted the same thing – but this time, facing our community. We hope that some of the people passing by or living on Carlton Way heard us and wondered what we were shouting about! Whilst it is important that we say NO to racism in our school, it is also important to us that everyone in our area says NO to racism in our community.

We also did a little bit of dancing to the Macarena, waving our red cards, just to finish off with! It has been a wonderful day! You can see some photos on the school website here: [Show Racism the Red Card day - 22.10.21](#).

Have a lovely half-term break -

Best wishes

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