

# The Cedar School

**Communication – Empowerment – Discovery – Aspiration – Resilience** 

22<sup>nd</sup> October 2021

Dear Parents and Carers

## Cedar News!

On behalf of the whole team at school I want to say a huge **WELL DONE** and **THANK YOU** to everyone in the Cedar school family for making this such a successful half-term in school. Thank you for your courage in these continually challenging times for everybody. It is a total privilege and joy for us all to work with your wonderful children.

A reminder that we break up for the half-term holiday week today. The children will return to school on Monday 1<sup>st</sup> November.

## <u>Covid-19</u>

If any child tests positive for COVID-19 over the half-term holiday week, please can you contact us on **07843858769** so that we can support you and, where appropriate, inform other members of the school community. We very much hope that this does not happen for anyone.

## The SEND Pupil Forum

This section of the letter is written by our lovely Lewis and Libby from Ruby class; we are **very** proud of them:

This term we have been chosen to represent The Cedar School in the SEND Pupil Forum run by Southampton City Council.

The forum has decided that we will meet every half term to talk about what we want the special schools in Southampton to do to make our time in school the best that it can be.

This week, we talked about what we want the name for the group to be, who we would like



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to have in the group and questions we would like to ask people who want to work with children with special needs.

We are really proud and happy to have been chosen to be in the forum because we are near the end of our time at Cedar and we are excited to be able to be part of making changes to benefit children with special needs that come after us.

We would both like to hear from any children who have ideas on how to make school a better place so we can take them back to the forum and discuss with our peers from other schools and the people from Southampton City Council.

We are looking forward to making a difference.

### Libby Foreman and Lewis Davis

#### New School Website

We are currently having a new school website designed which will 'go live' at some point in January. The new website will work more easily across electronic devices – mobiles, iPads, etc. – and will be a real celebration of life at our school. This week we had some photographs and films taken in school for the new site. The team from the website company who were in school were blown away by the manners, positive smiles and interest shown in their work by your children. They do not always have this when visiting schools so, once again, well done and thank you to everyone!

#### Football!



Members of our staff team and parents/carers went to a Saints football match recently with some of the children on a Saturday. This photograph captures four happy faces!

I am glad that a good time was enjoyed by all!

As we break for the holiday I am sure that you will join me in thanking our amazing staff team for their hard work and dedication to make every day and every learning experience special for the children!

It is now time for a few days' rest from school but we look forward to seeing everybody back together again on 1<sup>st</sup> November!

Warm best wishes as always,

Neil Revell Headteacher