



Temple Meadow
Primary School
Growing together, learning together

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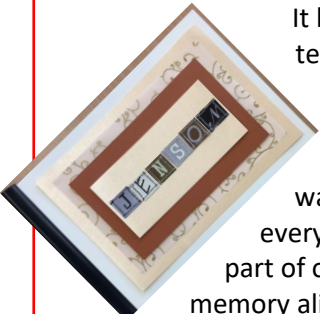
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Condolence Books and Plant Donations


Dear Parents/Carers

Jenson Condolence Books



It has been a tough term for all of us coming to terms with the death of Jenson and we close the term handing over our Staff and Year 6 Pupils' books of condolences to the family. They celebrate all that is kind, caring, thoughtful, creative and loving from our absolutely fantastic staff team and wonderfully resilient and loving Year 6 pupils. I have looked through them; the messages are so beautiful and I'm sure in some small way they will support the grieving process. We will keep copies in school so everyone on the staff team gets every chance to read them. They will become part of our school history and will feature in future anniversaries, keeping his memory alive. I will ensure all these legacy elements are carefully handed over to Mrs

Van Straaten as part of my Headteacher handover to her. We already have a memory stored away from a much loved staff member too.



Contemplation space and ECO challenge for all....can you help us?



Which leads me on to a request from me to all of you. In the summer term, many of our wonderful **Perfect Planet** projects will be well under way. This is a part of the curriculum I adore as it has an ECO focus with a positive and restorative slant, i.e children taking control and doing things to improve our environment and by extension, the world environment. Pupils are the custodians of all our futures and we always aim for pupils to have high positive impact. We are basically changing the world, one plant at a time.



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So can you help us? Easter is typically a time to get outside; if you have a garden or window box or family or friends that do, see if you can donate us a plant. It doesn't have to be expensive. If you like to garden you may have some plants that can be divided into small plants. You may already be raising some seedlings; you might have some summer bulbs that you'd be willing to donate one or two to us. If you can donate, try and pop it in a recycled container (yogurt pot etc) – pop some drainage holes in the bottom; fill with some soil or compost; try and label it and add your name if you want us to know who it came from. Drop your donation by our community hub (our posh shed near the Infant building). I'm sure some of you are gardeners so you will know all about dividing perennials. We will be buying lots of things; I will be dividing plants in my garden and encouraging staff and governors to join in.



Don't worry if all this is new to you or you don't have a green space. Our collective action will improve our Temple Meadow environment for everyone.

We have so many planting spaces and so many ideas and projects happening. Our Jungle Garden has had new sleepers built by Mr Hopkins, our Site Manager and that will be a space for big leaf plants like tetrapanax; bamboo and exotic flowers like canna and dahlia. Our new contemplation space will be a place of beauty and contemplation; there will be a bee friendly garden and so many things to grow and develop across the site. It is my aim in my retirement year for everyone to plant something in the summer term and every single child making a positive difference for the future.

So please look at what you could share and if any Parent/Carer feels they have skills to support our plans – send us a message on tm.admin@meadow.sandwell.sch.uk with your child's name and year group and we will get back to you with how you can help us. Thank you in advance for your support and help.

Yours sincerely,

Ms Walsh
Headteacher