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**LAYSTON C of E FIRST SCHOOL**

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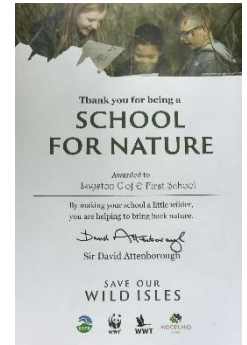
Dear Parents and Carers,

**Teaching and learning:**

It was lovely to see so many parents join us for the open afternoon today. Children enjoyed sharing their purposeful writing pieces with you. We can definitely see the progress made since the beginning of the year.

**Forest school:**

We are pleased to inform you that Layston has been awarded the **Schools For Nature** certificate, signed by Sir David Attenborough, to thank us for helping wildlife. Over the last academic year, Layston children and the Forest School team have shown how much we care about nature and wildlife, with all the **amazing** things happening every week in Forest School. Well done and thank you to our Forest School team, Mrs Ballard and Mrs Patterson!



**Enrichment:**

We are looking forward to hosting the Multi-Skills sports event on Thursday 16<sup>th</sup> May, on behalf of the North East Herts School Sports Partnership. This will be for Y1 children only from Layston and other Buntingford schools. This will take place during school hours. Y1 will need to wear their PE kit on this day.

**Parent Chat:**

We look forward to seeing our parents on Tuesday 21<sup>st</sup> May at 2:30pm for Parent Chat. We will be discussing home learning.

**FOLS:**



A big thank you to FOLS for funding a water tank for the YR classroom. The children love exploring, investigating and creating in this during Child Initiated Learning (CHIL).





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**Mobile phones:**

A gentle reminder for parents not to use mobile phones on the school site unless it's an emergency.

**Reminders:**

Please can you check that you have named all of your children's uniform, particularly jumpers and cardigans as we have found a few unnamed items on the school field. Snack pots also need to be named.

**Illness:**

We still have a few cases of sickness in school. A reminder that children must remain at home for 48hrs following any bout of sickness and or diarrhoea. Please remember to report your child's absence to the school office by 8:50am.

Have a lovely weekend,

Adele McMurrough  
Head teacher

