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Dear Parents and Carers,

Despite it being a wet and windy week the children have continued to explore the outside area this week. Some groups have had their first Forest School session of the year and have been putting on the outdoor clothing. We are firm believers in going outdoors in all weathers and agree with the sentiment that;

'There is no such thing as bad weather, just inappropriate clothing!'

Our Muddy Puddles outdoor clothing is highly effective in protecting children from most of the mud, rain and paint but children will often come home with some mud or paint on their clothes. This is a sign that they have been exploring the outside world, shown curiosity and enthusiasm and should be celebrated. We have been very proud of our Heath Lane explorers this week!



Lunchtime

Firstly a big thank you to the staff for making lunchtime such a calm and lovely session. It is great to see staff and children eating together and children having the chance to develop their self-help skills and have conversations with both adults and peers.

REMINDER: Please could we remind you all to ensure that grapes are cut in half to minimise the risk of choking.



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Books

Hopefully all children have brought a book home. These books can be changed as frequently as you wish. Each key group has a selection of books in the key group area. Please feel free to swap the book with your child at the beginning of the session. If your child attends wraparound care the book can be changed at the start of breakfast club or at collection from after school club.

Busy Fingers packs

All children should have our 'Busy Fingers-information for home' leaflet in their book bag and we have sent a copy with this newsletter. This leaflet is to provide you with information about 'Busy Fingers.'

We have sent a busy finger pack home with all of our children who joined us this term. Children who do not attend today will receive theirs when they are in next week. Please watch the video clip on the school website for guidance on what busy fingers are and the reason we work on fine motor control.

<http://www.heathlane.herts.sch.uk/parents/home-learning/>



Suggested Activity for Home

We'd love the children to carry out a busy fingers activity at home either by using the pack or by carrying out one of the suggested activities on the leaflet. We would love to see photos of them practicing - please e-mail any to: admin@heathlane.herts.sch.uk and they can be shared with the key group.

With kind regards,

Hayley Yendell

Headteacher