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Dear Parents & Carers,

Thank you for your responses to our Enrichment survey sent out earlier this year. Your feedback, together with the voice of the children which we also gathered, has been hugely valuable informing our evaluations and discussions around how we can develop our offer further.

As a federation, we recognise the importance of enrichment in developing the whole child, increasing pupil confidence, wellbeing, sense of belonging and increasing their cultural capital. We are exceptionally proud of the enrichment opportunities we offer across broad ranging areas including sports, music, arts and culture, and outdoor learning. These experiences build as the children move through our school to provide every child with the opportunity to discover new talents and interests and to build upon these, broadening their horizons and laying foundations for future growth.
The children greatly value these experiences with our whole school production, residential visits, Roots to Food and sporting competitions featuring amongst the most enjoyed opportunities alongside varied visits to enhance learning across the curriculum.

Your feedback was hugely positive, and I would like to thank you for both recognising the strengths of our enrichment offer and for taking the time to provide valuable feedback. It has also been useful to consider your comments and suggestions for how our offer can be further developed.
Through your feedback, we have identified how our communication regarding enrichment progression and development can be shared, to inform parents of children in younger years of the opportunities which will be available as they move through the school. We have addressed this through mapping out our enrichment offer to provide this information and demonstrate the progression of opportunities available.
We have also considered how enrichment might further be developed within Early Years, and our team have already been excitedly planning for this, with further details to follow.
Having received feedback in relation to after school clubs within the village, we would be open to discussing options with local providers. If you do know of any partners who may wish to work more closely with the school, as we do with Gareth from Young Dons and Beth, our dance teacher, please do encourage them to contact us.

Whilst it is not possible to provide everything, we do evaluate and review our offer in school. Our staff are firmly committed to ensuring all children have every opportunity to thrive and recognise the value of enrichment within this. We look forward to developing this across our schools.

Once again thank you for working in partnership with us to achieve the very best for our children.

Sophie Foston
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