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# MESSAGE FROM THE PRINCIPAL 31st March 2017

Dear parents, carers and families,

What an incredible week......in what other school would you have: children at the ParAbility Games, at the Consumer Challenge, a guide dog visiting and a chicken hatch all in one day.

Everyone celebrated Autism Awareness week on Monday by dressing in blue. The children have been involved in many activities throughout the week. Thank you to Marcelle for organising a fabulous week.

Thank you to all who attended parents' evenings this week. It was also lovely welcoming so many of you to our inaugural family information event on Thursday.

I hope that you all found the event to have been helpful. We are so pleased that it was a huge success with many visitors from around County. A huge thank you to Sarah and Leah for organising this event.

#### **ParAbility Games**

On Tuesday Endeavour attended the 'ParAbility games' event at Blackbird Leys Leisure Centre. This is an event that was inspired by the Paralympic Games in London 2012. It was the second occasion that our school has been represented at the event this year. Six of our students attended. There were four sports that students experienced. Fencing, Athletics, Netball and Cricket. Our students mixed with other schools during the event, gaining new skills by working alongside new friends. The students benefited from the social aspect of the day as well as gaining new skills and experiences in the sports. Everyone was exhausted by the time we got on the bus, but we thoroughly enjoyed the day.

Thank you to James for organising the day and to Kirsty, Tracey, Amy, Tim and Charlotte for supporting our students.

## **Consumer Challenge**

On Wednesday I went to Consumer Challenge with Joel, Caleb and Angel. We took part in a quiz against other schools. We had to answer questions. I had lots of fun with my friends. I won a chocolate egg and a medal.

By Mizanur (Star class)







Thank you to Sophie for organising the event and to Alex, Alberto and Sheena for supporting our students.

#### **New Development: Book Bags**

Endeavour book bags have arrived. All students will begin bringing a weekly book home for you to read with your child after the Easter break. More information to follow shortly.

## **Transport**

Just to make parents aware that the transport that is provided for your children to and from school is outside of our remit and is dealt with directly by Oxfordshire County Council. If you are experiencing problems, please contact transport directly on 01865 323795.

### Sainsbury's Active Kids Vouchers

Just a reminder that we are collecting vouchers and have identified some items that we would like for school. Please forward any vouchers that you have to reception. Thank you.

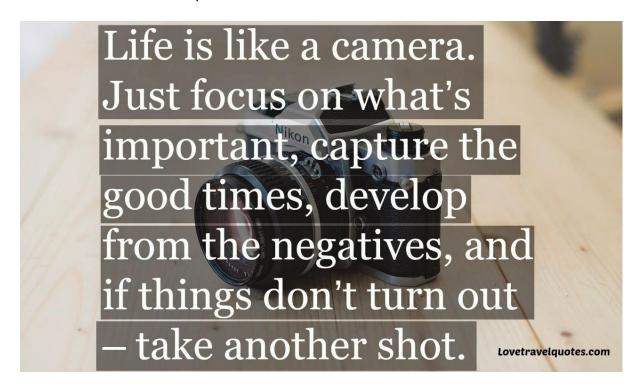
## Autism Awareness - Autism Family Support Oxfordshire

Just to make you aware the above organisation will be in Bonn Square in Oxford tomorrow (Saturday 1<sup>st</sup> April) from 10:00am – 16:00. Many autism friendly activities will be available to try. All are welcome. Raul will be supporting this event. Do come along and say hello to him.

#### Reminder

Education finishes for the Easter break on Friday 7<sup>th</sup> April at normal school time. The children come back to school on Tuesday 25<sup>th</sup> April. **Please note Monday 24<sup>th</sup> April is an INSET day.** 

To finish on this week's quote:



Towards a bright future

Best wishes

Angela O'Rourke

Principal