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SCHOOL PROJECT: FIND, COLLECT AND BRING IN A STICK!

Dear Parent / Carer,

As we all know, the events over the past year have been hard for us all. Supporting our children's mental health and wellbeing is of paramount importance to us. Over the coming weeks, I would like to set a special project for our whole school community to take part in to help us transition back to school and adapt to this 'new normal' way of living.

During lockdown, I posted a photograph on Class Dojo of a special tree near to where I live. One evening, on a walk with Rosie Posie, I noticed this tree because it has an unusual heart shape on its trunk. Immediately, it made me think of school. Throughout lockdown, this tree became very special to me. Now, it will always be my 'St Chad's tree' and will hold many memories for me from the past year.



With the help of Mrs Bibi, I would like to create a special piece of artwork made from twigs to help capture and hold some of our memories from the past year. I would love it every child could bring in a small(ish) stick. It would be wonderful if this stick could be collected from a special place to you and your child (your garden, your walk to school, a local park, a local outing, your first walk after lockdown, your daily walk during lockdown...).

Please can you ensure that your child's stick is no longer than 20cm long (i.e not a branch!).

We will be turning our sticks into a celebratory piece of artwork shaped with our school heart. The children will have their opportunity to paint their sticks in rainbow colours to help capture our 'lockdown' memories (like Zara's beautiful rainbow that she made last week for me ☺). We will find a very special place in school for us to frame our artwork – we will treasure it always.

Please can I kindly ask that all **sticks are brought into school no later than Monday, 19th October.**



Thank you for your ongoing support.
Yours faithfully,

Ms. K Leach Headteacher

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