





Dear Parents and Guardians,

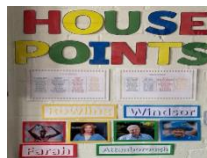
It has been another great week across the Federation. We have revisited and discussed our 'Learning Powers' with the children as we believe that as well as learning knowledge and skills, it is really important that children learn how to learn. We use the research from Professor Guy Claxton to support our approach. Guy Claxton believed there are four key dispositions that support learning, these are:

-  **Resilience** - being absorbed in learning, managing distractions and perseverance
-  **Reciprocity** - interdependence, collaboration, listening and empathising and imitation
-  **Resourcefulness** - questioning, making links, imagining reasoning and capitalising
-  **Reflectiveness** - planning, revising, distilling and meta-learning (knowing yourself as a learner)

Learning Powers allow us to develop a common language for learning across the Federation and it is used in all classrooms. We refer to the four dispositions (4Rs) as a group of 'learning muscles'; just as we build our physical muscles with the right exercise, learning muscles can also be developed and can grow in strength and stamina! All children and staff have been reminded and told the name of the House they belong to and how they can earn 'House Points' by demonstrating one or more of the 4Rs at any point during the school day. We hope you enjoy hearing all about Learning Powers from your children and hearing about our House Winners for each week.

I hope you all have a wonderful weekend and I look forward to seeing you all on Monday.

Best wishes,
Miss J. Concannon
Federation Headteacher



Wonderful News!

We are delighted to share the wonderful news that Miss Kell (Squirrel Class Teacher last year) has given birth to a baby boy. Hamish William Fergus Pryde was born yesterday weighing 8lbs and 5ozs. I am sure you will all join me in congratulating Miss Kell and her partner. We hope baby Hamish comes to visit us soon!



A sad goodbye and a warm welcome

At the end of the month we will be saying a sad goodbye to Mrs Proctor as she leaves us to take early retirement. Mrs Proctor has worked as the Senior Administrative Assistant at Knaphill Lower School for the last 16 years!! I am sure you will join us in thanking Mrs Proctor for her hard work, dedication and commitment to the Knaphill Lower School, the Federation and Trust. We would also like to thank her for her looking after us when we have been poorly, feeding us when we are hungry and basically knowing the answer to everything! We will miss you Mrs Proctor!

We warmly welcome Mrs McBride to the KFOS Admin Team, and she will become the new Senior Administrative Assistant at KLS. Mrs McBride will work alongside Mrs Proctor towards the end of the month and will meet all of the children too. We are very excited to have Mrs McBride as part of the Admin Team!