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Dear Parents and Carers,

This week we have been so lucky to have some very creative visitors! Authors Alice Hemmings, Karen Owen and Gabby Dawnay, along with illustrator Alex Barrow, have spent time with children across the school to share their skills and to sign some of their books. They were fun to listen to and provided some great inspiration which we hope will encourage our pupils to read some of their other books and even try out their own story writing skills.

It is a good time to be drawing attention to Children's Mental Health Week as it is so important to give children the information and means to take care of themselves emotionally as well as physically. We will be focussing next week on the Five Ways to Wellbeing for children to understand the importance of voicing their own ideas to support the wellbeing of themselves and others. Have a look on the wellbeing page on the school website for more information about this.

We are all looking forward to our 'Dress to Express Yourself Day' on Thursday as part of our wellbeing work in school, as well as dressing up to have some number fun for the NSPCC Number Day on Friday. (Reception Classes will be dressing up for their Superheroes Day!)

The odd few signs of spring growth are beginning to appear in the school outdoor areas and we are hoping that we will have some dry weather for the next Outdoor Community Club on Sunday 25th February between 10.00 and 12.00. We will be weeding, clearing some of the areas to prepare them for growing and enjoying the refreshments around the fire pit - Mr. Ricketts will send out more information soon so keep the date in your diary!

Wishing everyone a lovely weekend,

Helen Carvall