

Hi everyone - it truly is a very happy Monday!

I wanted to thank all of you who have contributed hearts for our launch of The Hammond Heart today - the initiative we have adopted to highlight all of the well-being support we provide for our children, parents and staff. We have been quite blown away by the range of contributions - thank you. We have put the hearts all-round the school and the grounds so you will see even more when you come up to collect your children tonight. If you visit our website you will find a new page dedicated to the Hammond Heart where we will gradually add more and more resources to support you and your family with issues around well-being.

I have spent the morning popping in and out of classes and every single member of staff commented that 'you wouldn't know they've been away'. We have a school full of very happy children today - and that is down to how well they have been supported while they've been at home. So, if you had a few wobbles this morning, please feel reassured that your child has had a happy day at school today. Let's hope it lasts!

I have also attached for you details of another new venture for us, which is a holiday Kids Club which we hope to run at our school during the Easter and Summer holidays. The club is organised by Globe Fit who have been running provision at Holy Rood Church for a while now. We have offered them the school to use as we have the facilities and I know many of you struggle with child care during these periods. This will also provide a setting which the children are familiar with. The scheme has some free places and other paid places - the attached leaflet gives all of the details. This will be offered out to families outside of the Hammond Schools in the days to come but we have sent it to you early so that children at our school and the Junior School will get priority. So if you are interested I suggest that you enquire sooner rather than later to book your place.

With love from

Jacky