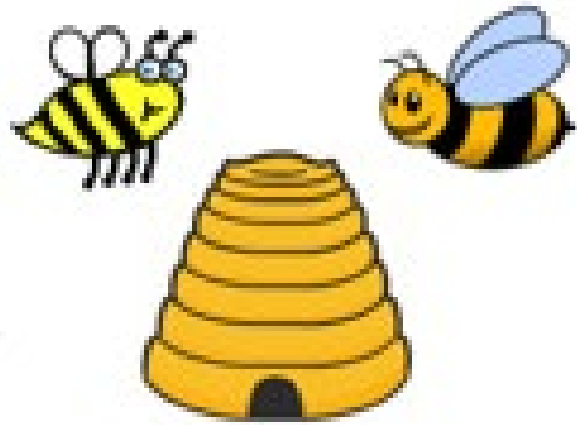


Parent Forum – Somerby



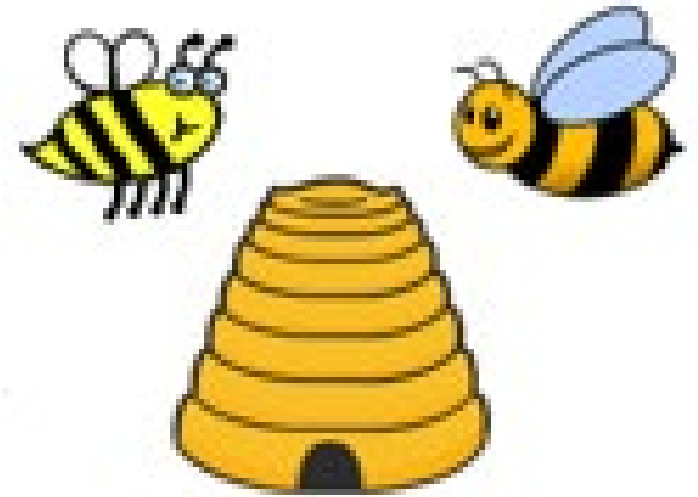
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Welcome!

Welcome!!

- Housekeeping
- Introductions
- Rationale:
 - to feedback and suggest improvements, to help promote positive and effective two-way communication between parents and the Trust. **The improvement of children's learning experience** is the Forum's clear and consistent goal.
 - During these meetings **we will not** be discussing items relating to specific pupils, specific parents or individual staff: this should be discussed one to one with the relevant teacher or Headteacher as appropriate.



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- **Meeting with FOSS**

To attract new parents and plan activities:

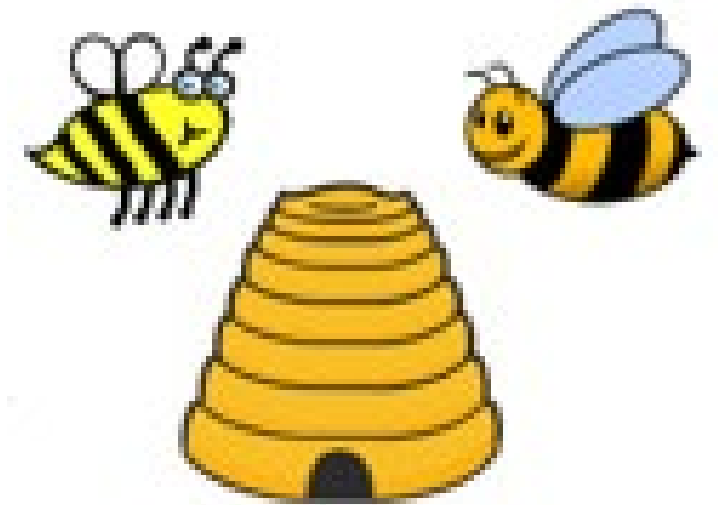
eg Cake sales, disco, Christmas Raffle, Bags 2 School

- **Spending** to date:

Benches, personalised clock, books for the library, new outdoor signs, outdoor seating, Panto

- **Focus**

To rejuvenate library – soft furnishings / book shelves



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Update on the Roof Works

- Started late – scaffolding issues
- Stripped roof last week of Aug
- No DBS
- Roofers redeployed until DBS complete by contractors
- Stoneworks and guttering in place
- Tiling restarts 14th November for 6 weeks
- Work to end and scaffolding to be removed over Christmas (weather dependent)
- A couple of very small leaks which have caused no damage - any repairs will be covered by the team.



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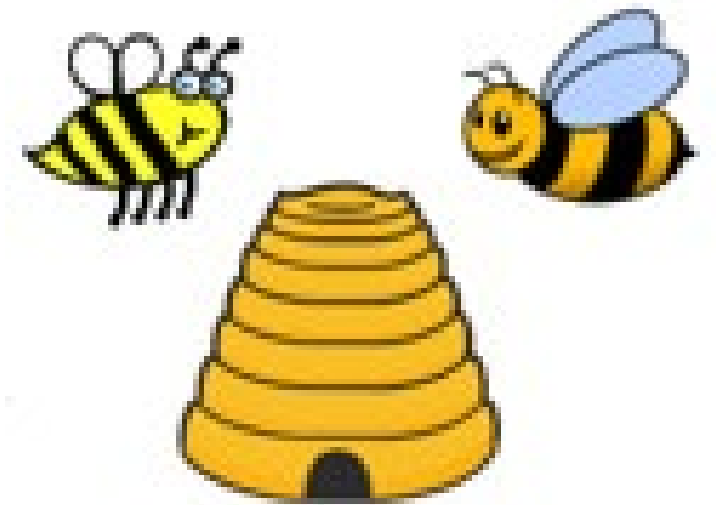
Autumn Term 2022:

Curriculum

To offer a broad and balanced to curriculum which excites children, staff and parents.

- Music Lessons
- Choir
- Take one Picture: Kathryn Saunby Studio / Iveshead Drama
- JFC MFL
- Subject Reviews
- Enjoyment of Reading is our focus

Open Mornings – Parental Involvement



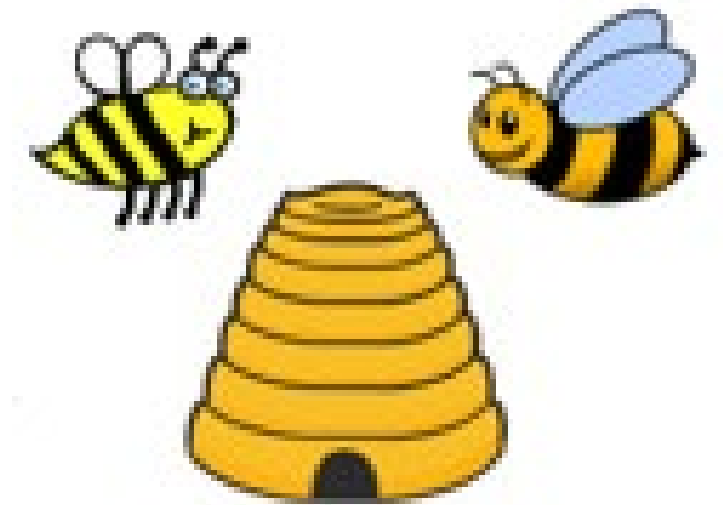
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School Council Focus

- Charitable Fundraising
- Debate Questions “Is online Gaming safe?”

Stay and Play Sessions

- Thursday 6th October – 6 new families - social media
- Tuesday 29th November – please share !
- Potential numbers:
 - 2022 LA - 3 – actual 4 plus one new one due in EYFS
 - 2023 LA - 3



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Friends of the Tenth

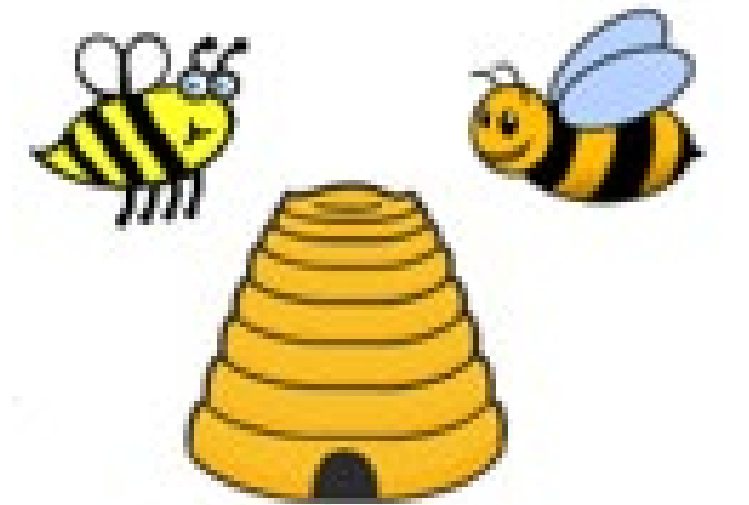
- PE T Shirts
- Arnhem Memorial Service
- Remembrance Service
- 96 Tulips
- Arnhem schools

Twin Lakes – Whole School Trip

4th July 2023

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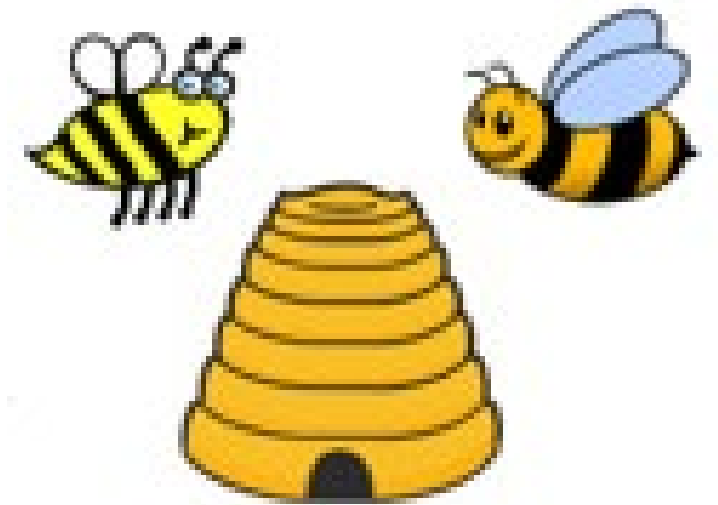
Report due by end of November



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What is new?

- ✓ PPA change – Mrs Toghill / Mrs Green
- ✓ SENCO – Miss Child (Brownlow) until Dec 22 –
New Grove SENCO Jan 22 onwards
- ✓ Y456 Residential
- ✓ Y456 mixed ages – 3rd Year Topic Plan
- ✓ Queries / Complaints Process



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What is new?

Free School Meals

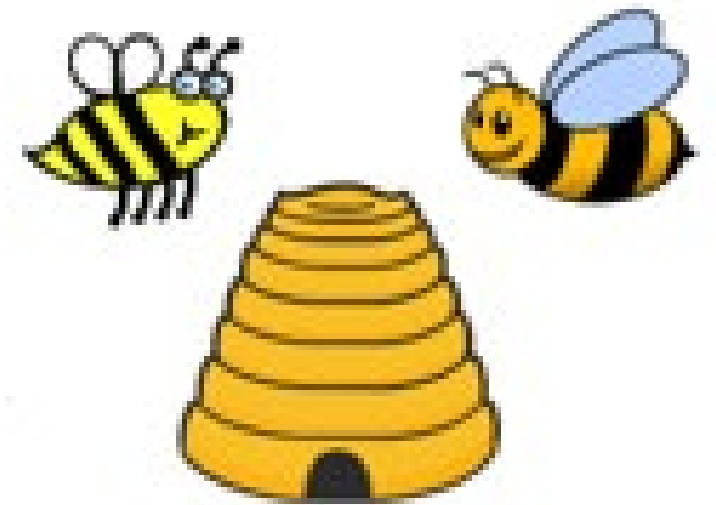
If you receive Child Tax Credits (but not Working Tax Credit) and your gross annual family income is less than £16,190 or

you receive Income support, or

you receive Income Based Jobseekers Allowance, or

you receive Income Related Employment and Support Allowance (ESA)

<https://leicestershire.cloud.servelec-synergy.com/Synergy/>



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Feedback from Parents

What is Working Well..

The day to day is going well, even with the new teachers, everyone seems to be settling well.

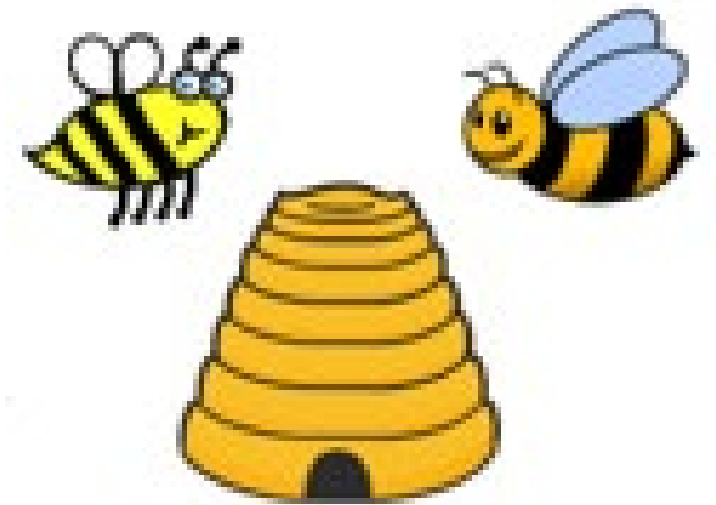
I think the school is very well organised, and as a parent we are kept very well updated with what is happening.

Sports clubs.

Dojo forum is good for keeping parents informed and promoting discussion with children around events that have occurred during the school day

Everything works well for my child.
He's very happy at school and gets all the help he needs.

Everything!



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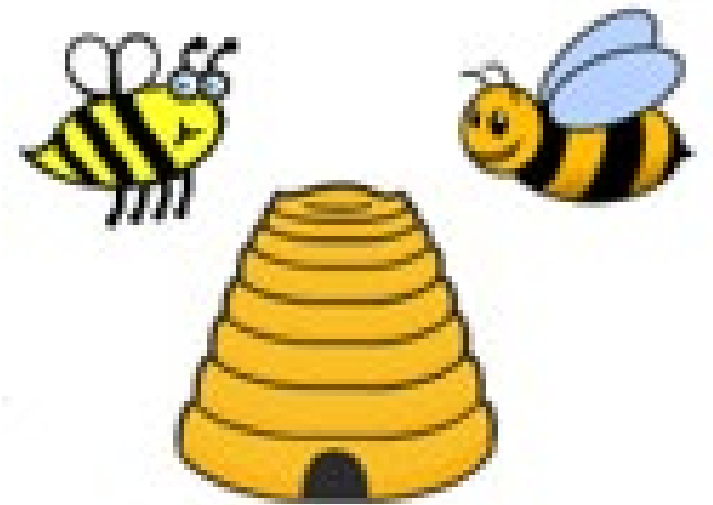
Feedback from Parents What is Working Well..

The after school clubs are great!

The family feel the school brings is so unique and special.
The fact that every teacher knows all the children well.
The outside covered area for Willow class is so important.
The SEND provision and support.

Fabulous little school which feels as though it's improving all the while!

Overall I wouldn't change the school for the world and I know the staff work incredibly hard every day and we really appreciate everything you do! Thank you.



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Feedback from Parents: What could we do to improve?

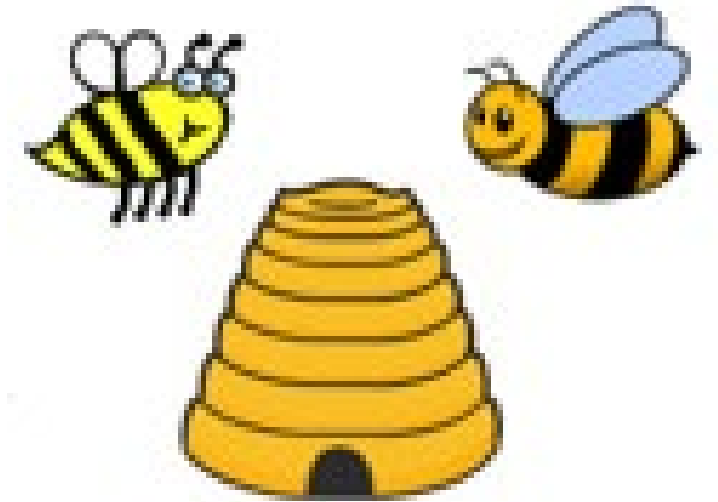
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Gate opening time seems to be getting late again

Why is the roof taking so long and are the builders going to sort out any problems that are happening on inside of school because they are taking so long. ie leaks in classrooms

Parental communication for academic achievement of children. Many dojo posts are about sports outings or pieces of art but we see very little celebration of academic outcomes or even what is happening in lessons.



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Feedback from Parents: Improve?

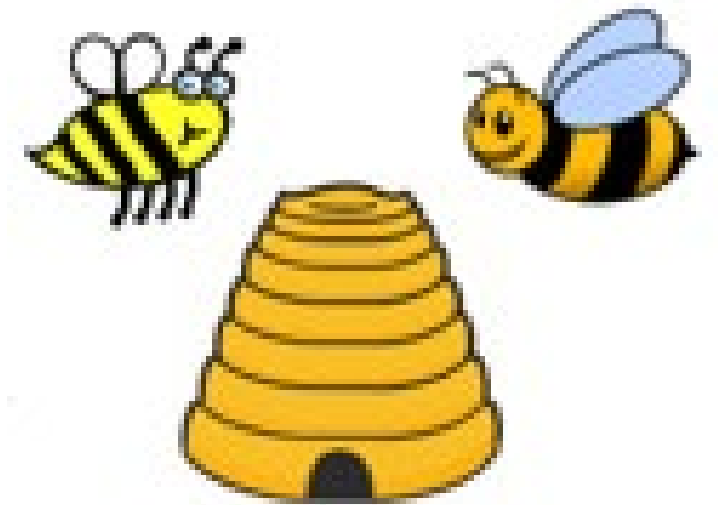
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As a full time working parent I wish that times when parents are required to attend meetings especially could be considered to be early evening as I would do more but cannot regularly request to leave work early to do this. And maybe it might attract more parents who also work full time.

The nit situation is tiring. Took 5 days after half term to catch nits. Managed to get rid of them only to catch them again 2 weeks later. This is such a tiresome vicious circle that is time and money consuming. There clearly is a bigger issue going on please can more be done? I really don't want to have to shave my child's head but it's looking the best option!

More storage, so toilets don't have to be used to hold other items.

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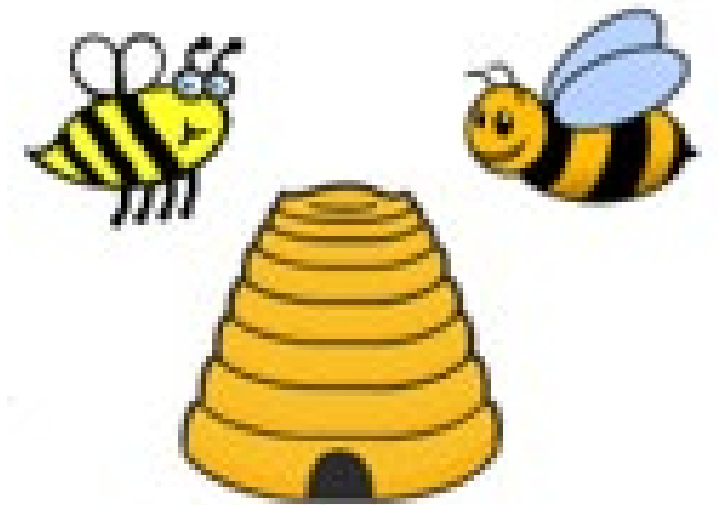
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Feedback from Parents: Improve?

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I'd like to ask that the forum to consider whether parents should be informed when there are confirmed cases of covid in the school. I was surprised that this information was not shared with the parents of my own children's class mates when they were confirmed as infected given that they are in such close contact. This information would enable parents to be extra vigilant monitoring children for symptoms and, of equal if not greater importance, make an informed decision around contact with family members who are immunosuppressed when cases are actively circulating. I have received numerous notification of head lice cases and personally feel that a similar approach to covid cases would be beneficial. Many thanks

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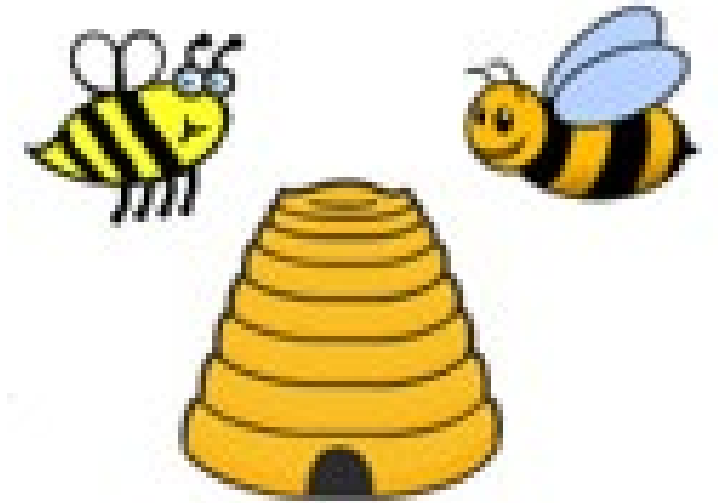
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Better signage to slow traffic down, zebra crossing etc more of a council thing I guess but definitely a huge concern of mine.

A general spruce up (easier said than done I know!) Paint railings outside school for a really smart first impression, once the scaffolding is down it would be a great chance for a fresh look outside.

Create a quiet, calm corner (with partition maybe) for children who feel overwhelmed, SEND, received bad news and need somewhere cosy to sit for a moment etc

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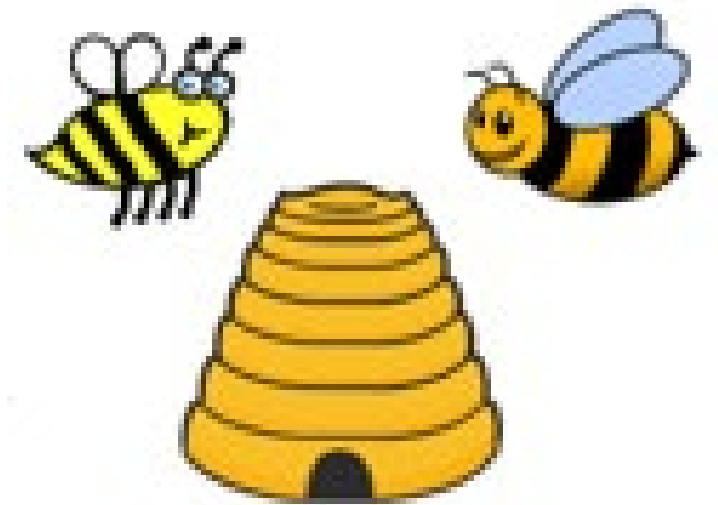
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Before and after school care for working parents.

How vulnerable the school is to outside influence, with the situation with Rosie, lots of children are willing to travel to the school to access the wonderful setting, and I wonder if we are losing out on new applicants/leaving ourselves vulnerable to losing current students, by not offering consistent before /after school additional care.

Is there scope to discuss “employing” Rosie before and after school? Possibly at village hall if not on school premises? It could be a factor in less children applying to the school. With the planned expansion of the village, we should be attracting lots of new families - it could even be a revenue stream for the school?

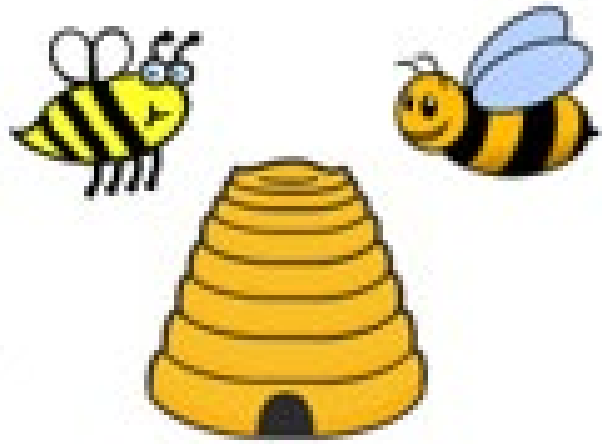
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