



Woodside Primary Parent Council

Dear Parents & Carers

23 February 2018

Last year the Parent Council gifted the school a shed and 4 benches (thanks to your support of our fundraising events).

Having heard about Buddy Benches (or Kindness Benches) we were keen to introduce some of these to the school to promote the concept of kindness, friendship and positive play amongst our children, and also to provide some much needed colour and cheer to the playground.

We have been painting these since September and are delighted with the results which you can see from the photographs above. They will be out in the playground soon!

The idea is that if someone is feeling sad or in need of a friend they sit on one of these benches and other children, on seeing someone in need of friendship, are to be encouraged to be kind and go and sit with them and invite them to join their play.

The children will have been hearing about this in assembly today but it would be really great if you could talk to them about it at home and reinforce this message.

Thanks once again for your support!

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