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World Bee Day- Thursday 20th May

Dear Parent/Carer,

On **Thursday 20th May** we are celebrating **International Bee Day** at Carr Lodge as we continue to raise awareness of our environment. On this day we are inviting children and staff to dress in yellow and black for a small donation of £1.00. The donation will be used for each class to buy seeds and bulbs for their class' flower box to help encourage pollination and support their eco systems. We will also enjoy a special themed lunch on this day to enjoy together 'Bee Happy Lunch Time'.

About World Bee Day

Bees and other pollinators, such as butterflies, bats and hummingbirds, are increasingly under threat from human activities. Pollination is, however, a fundamental process for the survival of our ecosystems. Nearly 90% of the world's wild flowering plant species depend, entirely, or at least in part, on animal pollination, along with more than 75% of the world's food crops and 35% of global agricultural land. Not only do pollinators contribute directly to food security, but they are key to conserving biodiversity.

To raise awareness of the importance of pollinators, the threats they face and their contribution to sustainable development, the UN designated 20 May as [World Bee Day](#).

The goal is to strengthen measures aimed at protecting bees and other pollinators, which would significantly contribute to solving problems related to the global food supply and eliminate hunger in developing countries. We all depend on pollinators and it is, therefore, crucial to monitor their decline and halt the loss of biodiversity.

Activities

On the day children will be designing their flower boxes and learning about the importance of pollinators and the best plants for pollination. They will also learn about the importance of bees on the environment and how we can all do our bit.

In addition we want to use the day to focus on supporting wellbeing for all children through PSHE work around: "Bee Happy, Bee Positive, Bee Kind, Bee Wise, Bee Productive, Bee Good." As well as many other bee themed learning on the day!

We look forward to the exciting learning that will take place as well as the development of the grounds and environment of CLA with the flower boxes each class creates.

Kind Regards,

Miss Sarah Cope (Principal)