**Report for parent governed visit on Wednesday 20th November 2024.

Focus on Phonics**

This morning I had the pleasure of visiting giraffes class. This was my first adopt a class visit and I enjoyed it very much.

I was warmly welcomed by all of the staff and children. The first thing I noticed was how calm the atmosphere was within the classroom. The children know the routine well and they happily got ready to start the day getting stuck into their tasks.

I loved listening to how they were feeling. They chose the colour and put their pictures on it to show if they where happy or sad etc. most of the children were green and when asked why they explained that it’s nearly December and they are very excited for Christmas. One boy said he was blue because he didn’t feel well. The staff were all so accommodating to him getting him a drink and snack to help him feel better.

The register was taken and then the children got to choose what they would like for lunch.

The children were then put into three groups to do their phonics. I observed Mrs Swifts group of four children. They started by doing a rainbow alphabet. They worked very hard and enjoyed trying to beat the timer. The idea of this task was for the children to remember placement. Then they closed their eyes and had to try and find the letter Mrs swift named. Again they worked hard and did well.

I really enjoyed my visit to giraffes class and I will look forward to my next one. It was lovely to see how happy and calm the children were. They know the daily routine and this clearly works well for them.

Thank you for having me

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