

Ryarsh Primary School

## RYARSH AWARD FOR EXCELLENCE

# Joshua

## Dolphin Class

The time has come to choose our final excellence award for Dolphin Class this year and what a tricky decision it has been. This class have been so marvellous all year that Mrs Wildish and I had a lot of discussions about how many children deserved this award, but one excellent Dolphin stood out as being so fantastic, he had to be chosen.

Throughout the year, Joshua has shown not only us, but all members of the school community that he has the most impeccable manners. He is always the first to open a door for someone and will say please and thank you at every opportunity. On our recent school trip, he impressed the staff at Kent Life with his manners too.

In school, Joshua is extremely kind and caring. He will always make sure that his friends are okay, he makes sure that everyone is included and the children see him as a real leader and respect his grown up approach to solving problems.

Joshua has the most wonderful sense of humour and will have both the children and adults in fits of giggles each day. He really uses his facial expressions well and is very quick witted in his responses – just what Mrs Wildish and I need to brighten our days! You can never have a bad day with Joshua in the class.

Joshua relishes a challenge and is always trying to better himself. Since the beginning of the year, he has shown a great love of anything mathematical. He understands concepts quickly and will retain this information amazingly well. Earlier in the year, we were making squares using cubes and Joshua noticed a pattern – he then estimated that if a square is 4 cubes long, it will contain 16 cubes altogether! When he tested it, Joshua was amazed!

More recently, Joshua has been challenging himself with his writing too. He loves to write a story and will use the most wonderful language. Joshua will also illustrate his stories with the most fantastic pictures – he is fabulously creative too.

You have been incredible this year Joshua and we cannot wait to hear what you get up to in year one – we will definitely miss your giggles.

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**Signed - Mrs Howman**