

Ryarsh Primary School

RYARSH AWARD FOR EXCELLENCE

Louis

Dolphin Class

This year has been quite extraordinary and we have had the pleasure of spending this time with the most fantastic Dolphins. It was always going to be tricky picking just one child for the last Excellence Award of the year but Mrs Wildish, Mrs Tait and I, have all had the same name in mind for a while. All of our incredible Dolphins have made wonderful progress throughout the year, although for Louis, this progress has been exceptional.

Louis has had quite the transformation since starting school in September. In the early days, Louis would find it difficult to come into school in the mornings and get upset often. Throughout the year, Louis has become so confident in himself and will run through the doors with a cheeky smile and a funny comment each and every day. In fact, Louis will now comfort other children should they need it. When he gets into the classroom, he is ready to learn and by the time I get back into the room, Louis' whiteboard is full of learning and he will delight in showing me – especially if it is a silly sentence which includes my name! Louis has an amazing ability to remember everything he has been taught, even if it has only been mentioned once or in passing; he recently surprised us all by recalling what a parallelogram was and has inspired the whole class to find the shape everywhere! Louis is not afraid to question, respectfully, things he has been taught. He will ask a multitude of questions to deepen his understanding of concepts and is always fully immersed in his learning. Louis is always happy to give an answer to a question and explain his thinking in full detail. This is especially true when explaining his understanding of numbers.

In class, Louis is extremely well-liked and this is in part, due to his incredibly kind and compassionate nature. Louis will see the best in everyone and has a super understanding of people's differences. He will be the first to help someone who may be struggling in the most calm and considered manner. Louis also has a great sense of humour and will often have the adults and the children in fits of giggles. Louis has a great relationship with all adults in the classroom and with others around the school too – he will happily have a conversation with any member of staff and even persuaded Mr Childs to wear a pair of fairy wings, showing his confident nature extremely well!

It has been the most fabulous year with you in Dolphin Class Louis, we have watched you blossom from a super shy child into a child full of confidence who is not afraid to talk about strategies to deal with differing emotions, both for yourself and others. It has been wonderful to watch this transformation and we cannot wait to see all of the incredible things you achieve as you move into year one. We will miss you greatly – you are a superstar.

Signed - Mrs Howman