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Aqueduct Primary Academy is extremely grateful for the funding provided by the Parish Council which enabled all pupils to attend a pantomime performance. This opportunity offered a rich cultural enrichment experience for our children, many of whom may not otherwise have had the chance to attend a live theatre event. The visit supported pupils' personal development, imagination and enjoyment of the arts while also strengthening shared experiences across the school community. Feedback from families was overwhelmingly positive, with many expressing how pleased they were that their children could take part in such an inclusive and memorable experience.

In addition, the school was delighted to receive a donation of Easter eggs, ensuring that every child received one. This was extremely well received and helped create a strong sense of fairness and inclusion, particularly at a time when some families may find holidays challenging. Building on this, our PTA successfully organised an Easter egg hunt for pupils across the school. Eggs were handed out to all children, bringing many smiles and happy faces as pupils headed into the Easter break knowing that everyone would have something special to enjoy.

Beyond the immediate impact of the funding, further positive outcomes have been achieved through strengthened networking opportunities. Links have been established between Aqueduct Primary Academy and local secondary schools, opening up valuable collaborative relationships. As part of this, plans have been outlined to support the National Year of Reading, creating meaningful connections between schools and encouraging a shared love of reading among our children.

Overall, the Parish Council funding, combined with community generosity and strong partnership working, has had a significant and lasting impact on pupils, families and the wider school community.