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Dear Parents/Carers,

I hope you and your children are all well and staying safe during these challenging times. I am writing this letter on behalf of one of our wonderful children to let you know all about the '2.6 challenge' he is participating in to raise funds for Birmingham Children's Hospital Charity.

Alfie Hinks is an incredible boy. We are proud to call him 'one of our own'. With the love and support of his family, and the well wishes of all of his friends, he has been fighting his own battle against a brain tumour this school year. He has never been far from our thoughts and prayers in school. Whenever we have seen or had contact with him, he has brightened up our day with his smile and inspired us with his positive attitude to help others.

It is with this in mind that I want to tell you about his 2.6 challenge and encourage everyone out there to try their own. Alfie has spent a lot of time in Birmingham Children's Hospital this year and, as we all are right now, is so appreciative of the work of our fantastic NHS staff. When Alfie discovered that the Birmingham Children's Hospital Charity were struggling with raising funds because of the cancellation of such huge charity events such as the London Marathon, he quite literally picked up the baton and has set himself the challenge to walk with his frame for 26 laps of the ward he is staying in.

Alfie wants to encourage the Oak Meadow family to do the same. What can you do 2.6 or 26 times as a challenge in and around your household? From 'keepy uppies' to reading books - the choice is yours!

Alfie and his family have set up a Just Giving page to recognise his efforts and that of his friends who have pledged to do their part by completing their challenge with him. Upon completion of your own 2.6 challenge, we are encouraging a donation towards Alfie's total. The initial target set was £500 and this has already been beaten – with your love and generosity the next aim is to completely smash it! Please make your donation by visiting: <https://www.justgiving.com/fundraising/alfie-and-friends-26-challenge>

Please feel free to send in any pictures of the children completing the challenge to the school email address: oakmeadowprimaryschool@wolverhampton.gov.uk Include details about what you have been doing and we will endeavour to publish pictures on our Twitter feed: @OakMeadow12.

Please find below pictures of Alfie in action completing his challenge. A true inspiration to us all! Stay safe everybody and we look forward to seeing all of you soon.

Kind regards,

Mr. Lane.



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From tiny acorns **mighty oaks** grow...

