



*Finchingfield St John the Baptist CofE
Primary Academy
Newsletter* Date: Friday 11th February 2022

**We grow healthy bodies, loving hearts and inquisitive minds at
Finchingfield: living 'life in all its fullness' John 10:10**

**Our Christian Values: Reverence Compassion Friendship Peace
Koinonia Endurance**

Dear Parents/Carers,

This week the children in Class 1 had a wonderful time creating a gingerbread house, ending the week with eating it for snack (apparently it was very "yummy"). Class 2 have been writing instructions for making a magnetic fishing game, linking their English and Science. Whilst Class 3 have been putting their finishing touches to their Gymnastic routines, which they performed for Proud Cloud today. Class 4 have been composing some amazing musical pieces to represent different characters from Harry Potter. They sound truly magical.

Today we undertook our Mental Health and Wellbeing Walk and Talk event where the whole school walked around the village together, in the beautiful sunshine. The children and staff all had a great time, chatting and walking. We will be undertaking a Walk and Talk event termly.

Our 'Healthy Snack Week' event will take place after half term, the week beginning 28th February. The school council are inviting each class to provide a healthy snack option on different days throughout the week. Each snack will cost no more than 20p to buy. The class which raises the most money will be able to keep that money and buy something for the class. The remaining money raised will be used to pay for ingredients and/or products for the next 'Healthy Snack Week'. Please look out for more details after half term.

As I write this the guidance around testing and self-isolation remains the same. An update is expected and I will keep you informed of any changes, as soon as I hear. Currently if your child is identified as a close contact you will be contacted directly by NHS Test and Trace and asked to undertake daily LFD tests. A confirmatory PCR test is no longer required, unless an individual is displaying symptoms.

Any positive LFD test will result in having to self-isolate for 5 full days, provided a negative result on day 5 and day 6, 24 hours apart and that they do not have a high temperature. The isolation period then ceases on day 6. If however either of the LFD tests are positive the isolation period will need to continue either until two negative LFD tests 24 hours apart or the 10 day isolation period completes, whichever is the earliest.

Thank you for your support and understanding throughout this half term. The children, as always, continue to amaze and surprise us. They have definitely earned a well-deserved restful, relaxing and fun half term break.

Wishing you all a wonderful half term,

Miss M Raymond

Reminders;

Protocol for Parent/Carers and Children

- Use common sense and stay alert.
- **DO NOT** enter the school premises if you have symptoms.
- **DO NOT** send your child to school if they are displaying any of the symptoms.
- **DO NOT** enter the school buildings or classrooms without a prior appointment.
- Contact the school office **preferably** by phone or email.
- Children and visitors **MUST** wash hands on arrival and departure, using either soap or hand sanitiser. This will be repeated frequently throughout the day.
- Face coverings are optional.

This week's Proud Cloud: Class 3



Star of the week



Class Champions



House Points

This week's house points across the school:

Ruby: 89
Sapphire: 80
Emerald: 87

House points totals so far this term:

Ruby: 431
Sapphire: 463
Emerald: 390

PE Star



Attendance:

This week: 88.3%
Autumn term: 93%
Last Academic Year: 97%
School Target: 95%

Key Dates:

Mon 28th Feb – Healthy Snack Week
Thu 3rd Mar – Learning Conferences 3.30pm-8pm
Fri 18th Mar – Charity Day
Wed 23rd Mar – Class 2 Performance
Mon 28th Mar – Easter Church Service 9.30am
Fri 1st Apr – House Teams Day
Fri 1st Apr – Open Door 3pm

Half term:
Mon 14th Feb –
Fri 18th Feb