



*Finchingfield St John the Baptist C of E  
Primary Academy  
Newsletter* Date: Friday 14<sup>th</sup> January 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,

Thank you to those who were able to attend our Parent/Pupil workshops, this week. If you were not able to attend this time, there will be further opportunities.

After 6 years of supporting the school as Chair of Governors, Lisa Vohmann will be stepping down as chair. I'm sure you will join me in thanking her for all her hard work, dedication and support. Lisa will continue to be a friend of the school and I'm sure we will continue to see her at key events and celebrations.

There have been a number of positive cases of COVID within the school community. 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. Your child may continue to attend school, unless they display symptoms or test positive. A confirmatory PCR test is no longer required unless someone is displaying symptoms.

From Monday 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 children are then able to return to school 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.

Remote learning will be offered for any child required to self-isolate, if for any reason you do not receive remote learning or you have any questions please get in contact.

Wishing you all a lovely weekend,

*Miss M Raymond*

Reminders;

The **Primary School Reception admission** round has opened for parents of children applying for a Reception school place for the academic year that starts in September 2022. The statutory national closing date for applications is **Saturday 15<sup>th</sup> January 2022**. From Monday 8<sup>th</sup> November 2021, applications can be made online via [www.essex.gov.uk/admissions](http://www.essex.gov.uk/admissions). All the application information is available on the website. You can also find a copy of the Primary Education in Essex 2022-23 booklet and the Schools Admissions Policies Directories (containing details of all admission policies) on the website.

#### **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.
- Whilst inside school premises parents/carers **MUST** wear a face covering.

#### **Attending School:**

Attendance is compulsory unless:

- Your child displays symptoms compatible with coronavirus. They should not attend and you are advised to book a test and self-isolate until at least the result of the test is received.
- Your child is unwell. Parents/Carers **MUST** let the school office know if your child is not attending school.
- Your child has tested positive to coronavirus. They should self-isolate for the required period.

This week's Proud Cloud: Class 2



Star of the week



Class Champions



House Points

This week's house points across the school:

Ruby: 71  
Sapphire: 95  
Emerald: 77

House points totals so far this term:

Ruby: 96  
Sapphire: 127  
Emerald: 104

PE Star



Attendance:

This week: 71%  
Autumn term: 93%  
2020-2021: 97%  
School Target: 95%

Key Dates:

Fri 11<sup>th</sup> Feb – Open Door 3pm  
Thu 3<sup>rd</sup> Mar – Learning Conferences 3.30pm-8pm  
Fri 18<sup>th</sup> Mar – Charity Day  
Wed 23<sup>rd</sup> Mar – Class 2 Performance  
Mon 28<sup>th</sup> Mar – Easter Church Service (tbc)  
Fri 1<sup>st</sup> Apr – House Teams Day  
Fri 1<sup>st</sup> Apr – Open Door 3pm

Half term:  
Mon 14<sup>th</sup> Feb –  
Fri 18<sup>th</sup> Feb