



*Finchingfield St John the Baptist CofE  
Primary Academy  
Newsletter* Date: 19<sup>th</sup> March 2021

**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 have been enjoying continuing to learn about their class topics. Please do keep checking the class blogs on the school website. The teachers will be starting to post examples of the learning taking place, helpful hints and additional information.

Class 1 have been learning about following instructions and have thoroughly enjoyed planting and exploring seeds this week. It looked like Class 2 were having amazing fun with their pots and string the other day, hopefully they can tell you all about it and thank you for sending in the pots for the children. Class 3 are continuing to create their amazing artwork and have written some fantastic poems, which you can read on the Class 3 blog.

Our open door policy remains in place. If you would like to speak to your child's class teacher please feel free to catch them during drop-off and collection times or contact the school office on 01371 810423 or [office@finchingfieldacademy.com](mailto:office@finchingfieldacademy.com) to request a meeting or quick chat.

Today the children celebrated Charity Day. Thank you for all your kind donations. The children in Class 3 expressed some great ideas for charities to support and voted for the donations to go to Alzheimer's UK. A charity close to many of the children's hearts.

The children have all had an opportunity today to enter a 'Design the front cover' competition. I look forward to looking through them all and I'm sure selecting a winning design from each class will be incredibly challenging.

Thank you to all those following our procedures.

A reminder that the outdoor play equipment is only for use during the school day, for the safety of all.

Wishing you a lovely weekend,

*Miss M Raymond*

Reminders;

PE days; Class 1 Wednesdays, Class 2 Tuesdays and Fridays and Class 3 Thursdays and Fridays. Please ensure that your child either wears PE shoes (trainers or plimsolls) to school or brings them to change into.

All school gates open at 8.45am and will close around 9.00am.

**Protocol for Parent/Carers and Children**

- Use common sense and stay alert.
- **Only ONE** parent/carer can escort a child to school, if they cannot walk to school on their own. This **should** be a parent/carer or childcare support.
- **DO NOT** enter the school premises if you have symptoms.
- **DO NOT** enter the school buildings or classrooms without a prior appointment
- **DO NOT** gather at school gates and class doors – always keep a social distance and wear a face covering.
- **ONLY** collect at the designated times from the designated waiting areas.
- Contact the school office **ONLY** 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.
- Children **ONLY** need to bring their coat, hat, water bottle, lunch (where appropriate) and a small book bag as required.
- Children **should** wear school uniform – ties remain optional, except on PE days.
- Face coverings **DO NOT** need to be worn at school – parent/carers may provide their child with a mask for the school journey and for wearing at playtimes only, should they wish.

This week's Proud Cloud: Class 2



Star of the week



House Points

This week's house points across the school:	House points so far this term:
Ruby: 103	Ruby: 213
Sapphire: 123	Sapphire: 234
Emerald: 99	Emerald: 213

Class Champions



Attendance:

This week: 96.7%  
Autumn term: 97.2%  
School Target: 95%

Key Dates:

Fri 19<sup>th</sup> March – Charity Day  
Mon 29<sup>th</sup>, Tues 30<sup>th</sup>, Wed 31<sup>st</sup> March –  
packed lunch only  
Thurs 1<sup>st</sup> April - INSET

Easter Break:

Fri 2<sup>nd</sup> April – Fri 16<sup>th</sup> April