



*Finchingfield St John the Baptist C of E  
Primary Academy  
Newsletter* Date: 14<sup>th</sup> May 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 Class 1 have been investigating. They have particularly enjoyed the challenge of building a net from sticks and a selection of materials. There have been some amazing designs. Class 2 thoroughly enjoyed learning about town criers and creating their own public pronouncements. Class 3 had great fun celebrating Edward Lear and creating their own limericks.

You will all be aware, from the consultation paperwork, that we have made an application to open a Nursery provision for 3 – 4 year olds. I am very excited to announce that we **have been given approval**. We are currently busy planning all the details in order to open in September. I know many of you, and some of your friends, will be keen to get the process for applying for a place started so further details will be sent out over the next few weeks.

The children have been reminded about the school policy on jewellery and make-up (including nail varnish) – children are allowed to wear earrings and watches however for safety reasons should not be wearing bracelets or necklaces. All jewellery must be removed for PE, this includes independently removing all earrings. Unfortunately if a child has newly pierced ears, this will result in them having to miss PE sessions if their earrings cannot be removed.

School trends have been in contact to let us know that whilst they have secured large volumes of summer stock, COVID is having an impact on manufacturing. Currently there is no impact on their supply chain however they cannot guarantee this will remain the case. If you wish to purchase new school uniform or a book bag from School Trends, all orders need to be completed before the end of July to ensure a September delivery. The easiest way to order is online, [www.schooltrends.co.uk](http://www.schooltrends.co.uk) They currently have reduced staff, due to COVID, and have therefore closed their telephone lines preferring to be contacted via the website or email.

As always if at any point 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.

Wishing you a lovely weekend,  
*Miss M Raymond*

Reminders;

PE days; Class 1 Tuesday, Class 2 Wednesday 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.

The outdoor play equipment is only for use during the school day, for the safety of all

**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 1



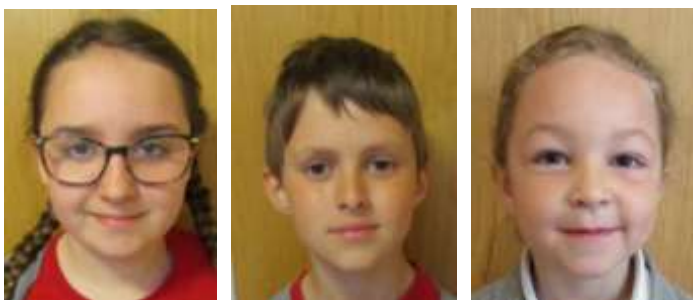
Star of the week



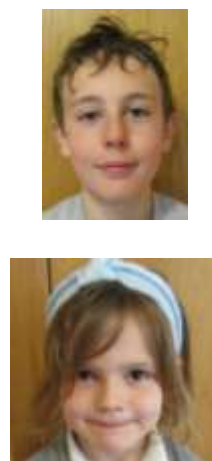
House Points

This week's house points across the school:	House points so far this term:
Ruby: 112	Ruby: 736
Sapphire: 117	Sapphire: 752
Emerald: 115	Emerald: 714

Class Champions



PE Stars



Attendance:

This week: 95.9%  
Autumn term: 97.2%  
School Target: 95%

Key Dates:

Mon 24<sup>th</sup> May – Church Service (children only)  
Mon 7<sup>th</sup> June – INSET Day

Half Term Break:  
Mon 31<sup>st</sup> May – Fri 4<sup>th</sup> June