



*Finchingfield St John the Baptist CofE
Primary Academy
Newsletter* Date: 7th 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,

Another lovely week at school has passed. Thank you to everyone for your continued support.

This week Class 1 have been exploring sorting and categorising. They are building up their knowledge of different animals and minibeasts to create fact files. Class 2 have been working on producing some amazing art work of the school building, linking in their learning around the Victorians. Class 3 have been exploring water resistance in science and have designed streamlined boats. In PE they are finding out about endurance – thinking about marathon running compared to sprinting.

It has been great to see the children joining in with Mrs Blayney's Dance club after school on a Wednesday. Anyone from year 2 to year 6 can join. Please contact Mrs Blayney at lovedance2018@aol.com if you would like more details. We are hopeful that more clubs will be starting to open up for the children over the coming weeks.

The children have been reminded today about the school policy on jewellery – 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.

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 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.

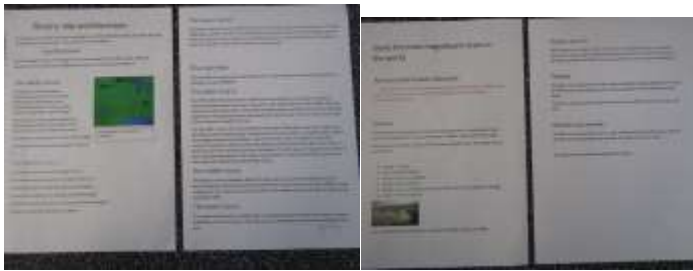
All school gates open at 8.45am and will close around 9.00am.

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 3



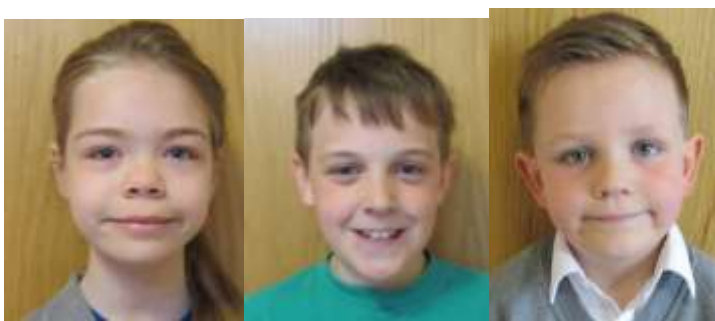
Star of the week



House Points

<p>This week's house points across the school:</p> <p>Ruby: 82 Sapphire: 89 Emerald: 81</p>	<p>House points so far this term:</p> <p>Ruby: 624 Sapphire: 635 Emerald: 599</p>
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Class Champions



PE Star



Attendance:

This week: 96.3%
Autumn term: 97.2%
School Target: 95%

Key Dates:

Mon 3rd May – Bank Holiday
Mon 24th May – Church Service (children only)
Mon 7th June – INSET Day

Half Term Break:
Mon 31st May – Fri 4th June