



*Finchingfield St John the Baptist CofE
Primary Academy
Newsletter* Date: Friday 26th November

**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 for all your contributions to the Second Hand Toy and Book sale. The school council did an amazing job, with Mrs Metson's support. With contributions and donations the total raised was £112.52, which the school council have decided to donate to Guide Dogs. Well done and thank you to everyone for their support.

The Christmas Card Post box will be coming out next week. Please remember to put your friends name and class number on the envelope. The cards will be regularly distributed to class for opening at home.

Don't forget that on Wednesday 8th December the whole school will be attending the 'Beauty and the Beast' pantomime at the Civic Theatre in Chelmsford. We aim to be back at school by 5.30pm however we will keep you informed on the day via ParentPay if there are any changes. If you do not intend for your child to attend please let the school office know.

Last Saturday the PTA, along with some members of the School Council, popped over to the Co-op in Great Bardfield to receive a wonderful donation for the school. Thank you to everyone who made it possible. Look out in the local paper for the photograph.

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 15th January 2022. From Monday 8th November 2021, applications can be made online via 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.

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.

At present our school office will only be manned from 8.30am – 11.15am and 2.00pm until 3.30pm. Please try to only contact us during these times. At any other times the answer machine will be active and we will get back to you as soon as possible. I apologise for any inconvenience this causes.

This week's Proud Cloud: Class 1



Star of the week



Class Champions



House Points

This week's
house points
across the school:

Ruby: 75
Sapphire: 92
Emerald: 82

House points
totals for the end
of the year:

Ruby: 844
Sapphire: 849
Emerald: 868

PE Star



Attendance:

This week: 93%
Summer term: 97.1%
2020-2021: 97%
School Target: 95%

Key Dates:

Wed 8th Dec – Whole school Panto trip
Mon 13th Dec – Christmas Church Service
Wed 15th Dec – Christmas Jumper Day
Wed 15th Dec – Christmas Dinner
Fri 17th Dec – House Teams Day
Fri 17th Dec – Open Door 3pm

Christmas Break:
Mon 20th Dec – Mon 3rd Jan