



*Finchingfield St John the Baptist CofE  
Primary Academy  
Newsletter* Date: Friday 20<sup>th</sup> May 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,

This week the children in Class 1 have been learning about mini-beasts, thoroughly enjoying finding some in their outdoor area and finding out facts about them. They have continued to add to their own class information book about what they are learning this term. Class 2 went to the Archaeological dig in Finchingfield on Wednesday. They were amazing ambassadors for our school, making everyone proud with some interesting and insightful questions for the team. Look out for some photos of the experience soon. In Class 3, years 3, 4 and 5 have undertaken some incredible learning about bees. Creating some inspirational artwork, informative fact files and creative clay models. Year 6 have been on their residential to Conover Hall alongside another school within the Academy Trust, Kelvedon St Mary's this week. A multitude of adventures have been undertaken, and in Mrs Sykes words tired and conquered! Once again our thanks to Mrs Sykes for supporting this great opportunity and giving up her own time to attend.

We celebrated National Bee Day today. Thank you to Tony, our beekeeper visitor, for popping into school with a hive to teach the children about the importance of bees, honey production and pollination.

We, as a school, could not be more proud of our children. They always represent our school impeccably on trips and visits. We have been extremely impressed with the way both Year 6 and Year 2 have approached their SATs. Not only did the children persevere, take a risk and show open mindedness but they demonstrated astonishing enthusiasm, positivity and grace throughout. My thanks to you and our staff, for all your support and assurance that the children's wellbeing remained positive.

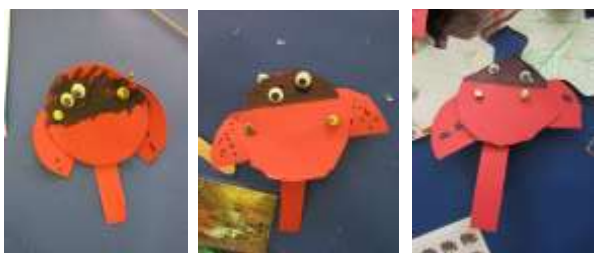
Next week is Healthy Snack week again. Each class will take a turn at providing a healthy snack option at playtime for others to purchase for a small price. Please make sure that any money brought into school is in a small purse/wallet or envelope. Class 1 start the week off on Monday, so 20p's ready!

A reminder that Friday 27<sup>th</sup> May is House Teams Day. All children are invited to come into school wearing their house team colours. The children in classes 1, 2 and 4 will spend the morning in house teams before the whole school enjoys their Jubilee Picnic all together on the front playground. With an afternoon of traditional games and merriment. Don't forget it is also open door at 3pm on Friday (27<sup>th</sup>).

We are currently experiencing an increase in children attending school in trainers, rather than black school shoes. Please ensure your child is wearing the correct school uniform, they will be questioned by an adult if they are not.

Wishing you all a lovely weekend,  
*Miss M Raymond*

**This week's Proud Cloud: Class 1**



**Star of the week**



**Class Champions**



**House Points**

This week's house points across the school:

Ruby: 139  
Sapphire: 138  
Emerald: 146

House points totals so far this term:

Ruby: 567  
Sapphire: 623  
Emerald: 586

**PE Star**



**Attendance:**

This week: 97%  
Autumn term: 93%  
Spring term: 90%  
Last Academic Year: 97%  
School Target: 95%

**Key Dates:**

Mon 23<sup>rd</sup> – Fri 27<sup>th</sup> May – Healthy Snack Week  
Fri 27<sup>th</sup> May – House Teams Day  
Fri 27<sup>th</sup> May – Jubilee Picnic on the playground (children only)  
Fri 27<sup>th</sup> May – Open Door 3pm  
Mon 23<sup>rd</sup> June – Class Photographs  
Thu 30<sup>th</sup> June – Opening Evening of Learning 5-7pm  
Tues 5<sup>th</sup> July – Sports Day and Family Picnic  
Fri 8<sup>th</sup> July – Reports to parents

Half term:  
Mon 30<sup>th</sup> May –  
Fri 3<sup>rd</sup> June  
  
INSET Days:  
Mon 6<sup>th</sup> June  
Tues 7<sup>th</sup> June  
Fri 1<sup>st</sup> July