



*Finchingfield St John the Baptist CofE
Primary Academy
Newsletter* Date: Friday 22nd April 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,

I hope you all had a lovely Easter Break. Thank you to everyone who was able to attend the Finchingfield and Cornish Hall End Horticultural Societies Horticultural Show. Many of our children were delighted to find out that they had won prizes.

This week the children have all been starting new topics in class. Class 4 are travelling into space this term, exploring to the moon and back. Class 3 will be exploring Essex this half term with a range of mini trips planned. Whilst in Class 2 they will be looking at plants, mini-beasts and habitats. In Class 1 they will be exploring wildlife, looking at different animals and where they live.

We had a visit from our local Community Policing team in assembly this week. They spoke to the children about stranger danger and road safety and provided them with a pack of fun activities to undertake. Our thanks go to the team for their visit.

Next week this terms after school clubs start;

Mondays 3.15pm – 4.15pm Construction Club with Mrs Nixon (all year groups)

Tuesdays 3.15pm – 4.15pm Dance Club with Miss Raymond (all year groups)

Tuesdays 3.15pm – 4.15pm Drawing Club with Mrs Sykes (Y2-6 Please let the office know if your child will be attending)

On a Friday FINCHE are holding a football club on the front playground – please contact them directly for more information.

There is updated guidance relating to 'Living with COVID-19' which has updated the list of symptoms which now include: a high temperature or shivering (chills); a new continuous cough; a loss or change to your sense of smell or taste; shortness of breath; feeling tired or exhausted; an aching body; a headache; a sore throat; a blocked or runny nose; loss of appetite; diarrhoea; feeling sick or being sick. Children who are unwell and have a high temperature should stay at home and avoid contact with other people. They should return to school when they no longer have a high temperature and are well enough to attend. If a child tests positive for COVID-19 they are advised to stay at home and avoid contact with others for 3 days.

I have made some small tweaks to our lunchtime arrangements this term. Classes 3 and 4 will go into lunch slightly later, which will allow for greater independence and less waiting. It will also allow Class 2 the wider opportunity to sit with children of their choosing. The children will continue to have some time all together on the playground. If you would like to discuss the changes in more detail please get in contact.

To celebrate the Queen's Jubilee we are planning on holding a school picnic on the front playground for all the children. They will therefore be invited to bring their 'picnic' with them to school on Friday 27th May.

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: 49
Sapphire: 65
Emerald: 50**

House points totals so far this term:

**Ruby: 49
Sapphire: 65
Emerald: 50**

PE Star



Attendance:

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

Key Dates:

**Tue 19th Apr – First day of the Summer Term
Mon 9th – Fri 13th May – Y6 SATs week
Mon 16th – Fri 20th May – Y6 residential
Mon 23rd – Fri 27th May – Healthy Snack Week
Fri 27th May – House Teams Day
Fri 27th May – Jubilee Picnic on the playground (children only)
Fri 27th May – Open Door 3pm**

**Half term:
Mon 30th May –
Fri 3rd June**

**INSET Days:
Mon 6th June
Tues 7th June
Fri 1st July**