



*Finchingfield St John the Baptist CofE
Primary Academy
Newsletter* Date: Friday 29th 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,

This week the children in Class 1 have been learning about woodland animals. They've also had great fun learning how to print using ink and rollers. Class 2 have been exploring plants this week, learning to name the different parts and have started to design their dream classroom. I cannot wait to see their designs! Children in Class 3 started their mini-trips around the village this week, visiting Finchingfield Library to find books about Essex. They were incredible ambassadors for our school during their first swimming session last Friday, well done Class 3. Class 4 have had an amazing week with a special visitor, David Gwynn, who has been teaching them all about space. True awe and wonder has been had by all in Class 4. A huge thank you to David from all of us, he has inspired many scientists of the future.

I am pleased to announce that our Head of School award winners for the spring term are: Beth, Annabel, Flynn and Lilly D. Congratulations to our winners, who consistently demonstrate our school values and learning powers and have received a book token as acknowledgement of their achievement.

We are fast approaching our Statutory Assessment period at school. Year 6 will be undertaking SATs the week beginning 9th May. Year 2 will also be completing SATs during May. Then in June Year 1 will undertake a phonics screening, whilst Year 4 undertake a multiplication check. We will continue to ensure the children's learning is fun, active and supports their wellbeing throughout this time. If you would like to speak to someone about these assessments please catch your child's class teacher at drop off/collection times or contact the school by email and we will get back to you.

To celebrate National Bee Day, on Friday 20th May, we will have a beekeeper popping into school with a hive to teach the children about the importance of bees, honey production and pollination.

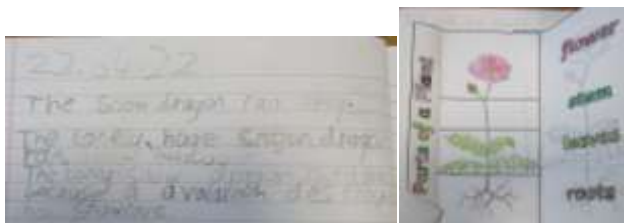
To celebrate the Queen's Jubilee we are planning on holding a school picnic on the front playground for all the children. They will therefore be invited to bring their 'picnic' with them to school on Friday 27th May.

Don't forget that the school is closed for May Day Bank Holiday on Monday.

Wishing you all a lovely weekend and an enjoyable Bank Holiday,

Miss M Raymond

This week's Proud Cloud: Class 2



Star of the week



Class Champions



House Points

This week's house points across the school:

Ruby: 124
Sapphire: 136
Emerald: 139

House points totals so far this term:

Ruby: 173
Sapphire: 201
Emerald: 189

PE Star



Attendance:

This week: 96%
Autumn term: 93%
Spring term: 90%
Last Academic Year: 97%
School Target: 95%

Key Dates:

Mon 2nd May – Bank Holiday
Mon 9th – Fri 13th May – Y6 SATs week
Mon 16th – Fri 20th May – Y6 residential
Fri 20th May – Beekeeper visit
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