



*Finchingfield St John the Baptist CofE  
Primary Academy  
Newsletter* Date: Friday 6<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 Polar Animals and creating watercolour and salt paintings. They have also had great fun making their own fishing rods from sticks, string and magnets to catch the numbered fish in their 'pond'. Class 2 have been exploring the growth of their edible plants and are hopeful they will be able to make a salad from their produce. They have also been exploring how to use google maps to find out about places. Children in Class 3 went to the Guildhall this week, our thanks to Debs, Des and Paul for all their support and expert knowledge. You can see some of their amazing learning on their class blog and in our Proud Cloud section below. Class 4 have been designing and building their own Mars Rover. They were having great fun with the saws and glue guns, problem solving as they went along.

Below is a note from the Chair of the Canonium Learning Trust updating you on the next steps regarding the change in CEO.

Wishing you all a lovely weekend,

*Miss M Raymond*

Dear Parents/Carers,

The purpose of this note is to update you on the arrangements to manage Mr Walsh retiring from Kelvedon Academy and as CEO of the trust in July. Earlier in the year Mrs Osborne was announced as our new Headteacher of Kelvedon and Trust Chief Executive. The Board feel it is extremely important that the transition process is carefully managed by creating space for Mr Walsh and Mrs Osborne to have quality time to complete the handover.

The Board has agreed Mrs Osborne will start on the 6th June 2022, in a 'shadow' capacity. In practical terms, this means Mr Walsh will remain in charge with Mrs Osborne having the freedom to start her preparation so she is able to hit the ground running in September. I am sure part of this preparation will include meeting parents and carers in the playground and attending the various summer activities in our schools.

I will keep you updated as we get closer to the end of term.

Andy Hayman Chair Canonium Learning Trust

**This week's Proud Cloud: Class 3**



**Star of the week**



**Class Champions**



**House Points**

**This week's house points across the school:**

Ruby: 135  
Sapphire: 164  
Emerald: 127

**House points totals so far this term:**

Ruby: 173  
Sapphire: 201  
Emerald: 189

**PE Star**



**Attendance:**

This week: 96.2%  
Autumn term: 93%  
Spring term: 90%  
Last Academic Year: 97%  
School Target: 95%

**Key Dates:**

Mon 9<sup>th</sup> – Fri 13<sup>th</sup> May – Y6 SATs week  
Mon 16<sup>th</sup> – Fri 20<sup>th</sup> May – Y6 residential  
Fri 20<sup>th</sup> May – Beekeeper visit  
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

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