



*Finchingfield St John the Baptist C of E
Primary Academy
Newsletter* Date: Friday 8th July 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 am pleased to announce that this year's Sports Day winners are Emeralds. It was incredibly close, with only a few points deciding the winners. Well done to all the children, who were amazing! A special thank you to Mrs Nixon for organising all the events and Mrs Warren and Mrs Payne for all their support on the day.

Every child will bring home their annual school report today. The children will also find out their class teachers for next year, with a 'Meet the teacher' session this morning in school.

It is with sadness that we say goodbye to some of our staff this year; Mr Ladlow has unfortunately come to the end of his secondment with us and will be returning to Kelvedon St Mary's next year, where we wish him all the best in his final year of the Apprentice Teacher Programme. We will also be saying our goodbyes to Miss Cooper, and thank her for her support and send her with our best wishes for her next adventure. After many years, supporting the school and helping to drive improvement, we also say our fond farewells to Mrs Kennedy, who is retiring. We will be holding an 'Afternoon Tea' to say good luck and thank Mrs Kennedy for all her hard work and dedication to the school on Wednesday 20th July. Further details will follow next week.

I am pleased to announce that we will be welcoming two new members of staff to our team. Miss Berkane will be joining us in September. She is in her sixth year of the excellent Apprentice Teacher Programme which Canonium Learning Trust have been at the forefront of developing over the last decade, to 'grow our own' great teachers. This has been an extremely successful way of training new teachers. For Finchingfield this innovation means that we are able to continue with our fourth class, and in our bid to remove cross key stage mixed classes, aiming to attract more pupils to our lovely school and make Finchingfield Academy more sustainable. We will also be joined by Miss Taylor in September, a fantastic class teacher moving to Finchingfield Academy from another school in the Canonium Learning Trust. I am sure you will warmly welcome them both to our community.

Classes for September 2022 are as follows:

Class 1 – Mrs Nixon

Class 2 – Miss Berkane (and Miss Raymond)

Class 3 – Miss Taylor

Class 4 – Mrs Sykes

Class 3 and 4 are undertaking their annual performance on Tuesday 12th July at 6.30pm. Please make sure you have ordered your tickets via the school office. Tickets for the performance will be given to your child to bring home on Monday. **You must bring your ticket with you on the night.**

Thank you to everyone who was able to attend our first Open Evening of Learning last week (Thursday 30th June). Hopefully it gave you an opportunity to explore different types of learning across the school.

Today was our Rainbows for Heroes Dressing up day. The children raised £47.00 which will go directly to our local hospitals. Thank you for your support.

Wishing you all a lovely weekend,

Miss M Raymond

Just a brief note about the forthcoming school cricket match to mark the retirement of the Head Teacher at Kelvedon and the Trust CEO, Mr Mike Walsh.

Between 4pm and 6pm on Wednesday 13th July 2022, at Feering Cricket Club, Rye Mill Lane, Feering CO5 9SB we are staging a Staff versus Parents and Pupils (past and present) cricket match. You are welcome to stay for the whole match or just pop in. An afternoon buffet is provided along with the cricket club bar.

Mike Walsh really enjoys cricket and school activities involving the children. This event provides the opportunity to combine both of his passions.

Please try and find the time to support this event to create a further happy memory for Mr Walsh.

Best wishes, Andy Hayman, Canonium Learning Trust Chair

This week's Proud Cloud: Class 3



Star of the week



House Points

This week's house points across the school:

Ruby:
Sapphire:
Emerald:

House points totals so far this term:

Ruby: 995
Sapphire: 1,080
Emerald: 1,065

Class Champions



PE Star



Attendance:

This week: 81%
Autumn term: 93%
Spring term: 90%
Last Academic Year: 97%
School Target: 95%

Key Dates:

Fri 8th July – Reports to parents
Fri 8th July – Meet the teacher morning
Fri 8th July – Rainbow for Heroes Non-Uniform Day
Mon 11th – Fri 15th July – Art Week
Tues 12th July – Class 3 and 4 Performance 6.30pm
Wed 20th July – Farewell Afternoon Tea (details TBC)
Fri 22nd July – Leavers Church Service 9.30am
Fri 22nd July – Leavers Bell Ringing 3pm

Summer Holidays:
Mon 25th July

INSET Days:
Fri 1st July

If at any time you would like to discuss something with the Governing Body, please feel free to contact the Acting Vice Chairs: Catherine Emmett/Michael Mitchell They can be contacted via the school office or directly at the school gate.