



Frieth Primary School

NEWSLETTER

Let Your Light Shine!

Friday 21st January 2022

I very pleased to report the new term has started smoothly and children have settled back well.

I was looking forward to reporting to you on some exciting events that we had planned this week but unfortunately, after a few COVID-19 cases in the first week, we have had a small outbreak in Kites and Eagles meaning these two classes have had to be put into bubbles this week. Therefore the sports fixtures we had organised along with The Garsington Opera Company visit, was cancelled. The good news is if there are no more cases before next week, then these classes can go back to normal on Monday.

Overall case numbers in Buckinghamshire are going down but they are still very high in school age children particularly primary so we must remain vigilant. I would like to remind parents that if your child has any symptoms of COVID-19, they must take a PCR test not a Lateral Flow test.

As you saw from my email earlier this week, there was a further change to the isolation period rules yesterday with those who have tested positive able to stop isolating from day 6 if there have been two sequential negative daily LFT's at least 24 hours apart. It has been reported that many people are still testing positive on days 6, 7, 8 and 9 but the new rules does mean that people can come out of isolation earlier with negative tests.



I would like to extend my thanks to local resident, Nigel Page and parent, Caroline Priestley who, last year, ran a Calendar Competition with the

aim of both engaging local residents in the community and raising money for our school. Nigel

contacted me this week to let me know that £643 was raised. The PTA have very kindly agreed to use this money to fund Happy Puzzle Company, who will be facilitating workshops at our up and coming Maths Week. I would also like to take this opportunity to thank the parents who have offered to come in and lead workshops on how they use maths in their line of work during Maths Week. This is going to be an absolutely fantastic week where the children will be immersed in a range of exciting cross curricular activities all related to maths.



On the 31st January we will be welcoming Alison Watts to our school, who will be running an Internet Safety Day with all pupils across the school. Following on from this, I would also like to invite parents and caregivers to join a live interactive online safety event on the same day at

5:15pm. The event will advise parents on all they need to know to keep their child safe whilst making the most of the online world. With the internet now so prominent in our children's lives, I'm sure you don't need me to tell you how important this topic is and hope you are able to join the session. More details of how to join are attached.

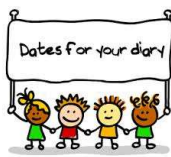


Tues 5th April: Owls Assembly (2.45pm)
 Frid 8th April: School Church Service 9.30am
 Frid 8th April: Break up for Easter - 1pm

Thanks to the persistence of Mrs Upsher, I'm thrilled to report we have been accepted onto the Tesco Community Grant Scheme. If you shop at Tesco Henley, Woodley Express or Twyford Express stores please support us by posting your blue or red tokens in The Frieth School Breakfast & After School Kitchen Project. If we are successful, it will benefit the school and your children greatly as we will have a new facility which can be used for food technology and our wrap around care. We will be included in this scheme until the 31st March.



Finally, I would like to make you aware that class teachers have now uploaded their class curriculum letter to the school website.



All school dates can also be found on the school website. New dates in red

- Thurs 27th Jan:** Author Visit - Buzzards
- Frid 28th Jan:** Author Visit - Eagles
- Mon 31st Jan: Internet Safety Day
- W/c 7th Feb: Maths Week
- Tues 15th Feb: Parents Evening
- Wed 16th Feb: Parents Evening
- W/c 21st Feb: Half Term
- Thurs 3rd March: World Book Day
- Frid 4th March: Year 1 Balanceability begins (6 weeks)
Eagles Assembly (2.45pm)
- Tues 8th March: Kites Assembly (2.45pm)
- Frid 18th March: Buzzards Assembly (2.45pm)
- Frid 25th March: Kestrels Assembly (2.45pm)
- W/c 28th March: Science Week