

Newsletter

Dear Parents/Carers,

It has been another lovely week in school. On Tuesday we had an amazing Medieval Day in school, where the Year 2 children were transported back to the Middle Ages and experienced life in those times. Today, Year 5 have had lots of fun visiting Go Ape and over the next few weeks, some other classes will be visiting different places. When we take time to reflect how the world was this time last year, having shared experiences such as trips would have been unimaginable. It's incredible what a difference a year can make.

PARKING

Over the past few weeks there have been a number of issues with parking outside of school. Our school is set in a residential area where parking can be quite limited. Please do be careful and considerate of children, parents and residents when parking your cars. Thank you.

Have a wonderful weekend with your families,

Mrs Bracken

CLEAN AIR DAY

Thursday 17th June was Clean Air Day. *"A chance to find out more about air pollution, share information with friends and colleagues and help make the air cleaner and healthier for everyone"*



A great opportunity to raise awareness of air quality outside schools for the wellbeing of all, especially our children. <https://www.cleanairday.org.uk/>

- **Please can parents turn off engines when parked outside or near to school**, especially for the benefit of little lungs walking past the exhaust pipes. Idling for over 10 seconds uses more fuel and produces more emissions than restarting your engine. Councils have the power to issue fines and those that do focus on idling outside of schools. The World Health Organisation has declared air quality as the number one global killer, with long-term exposure linked to nerve, brain, kidney, liver and lung damage. The toxic exhaust from engines are even more harmful to small school children.
- Air quality explained – Lego video aimed at school children <https://youtu.be/inHsqdVa9X8>
- What can you do to help? Great place to find more information <https://www.cleanairhub.org.uk/clean-air-information/what-can-i-do>
- How bad is your car? Great website to help make informed decisions about which car model/manufacture. <https://airindex.com/>
- Coventry Local Air Quality Action Plan: https://www.coventry.gov.uk/info/68/pollution/171/air_quality/3

SCHOOL AND PE UNIFORM

It is wonderful to see that the majority of school are wearing the correct uniform to school for both PE days and non-PE days. As mentioned in previous newsletters, we are beginning to phase the red jumpers and cardigans out. When you do purchase new uniform, please do buy navy blue jumpers and cardigans.

EXCEPTIONAL LEAVE

If you are taking your child out of school for a holiday, please could you ensure that you complete an Exceptional Leave in Term Time Request Form in advance of the holiday. Please collect from the school office. Many thanks.

COVID-19

It is wonderful that so many people across Britain are being vaccinated which has reduced the strain on the NHS. However, we still do need to be vigilant with COVID-19 symptoms to ensure that we do not pass the virus on. If your child does present with COVID-19 symptoms, please do keep your child off school, let us know and then follow the government guidelines about getting your child tested. Thank you for your co-operation with this.

FLOWER FESTIVAL – ST JOHN THE BAPTIST CHURCH, BAGINTON

Saturday 26th June 2-4pm and Sunday 27th June 2-4pm_ Home-made cakes and refreshments

Parking available in the British Legion Club (Masks will need to be worn inside the well-ventilated church, and social distancing respected)

EMAILS

A reminder that if you do have question or a query about school, emails should be sent to admin@finhamprimary.co.uk Please do not email teachers directly. Thank you.

COVID SYMPTOMS

What are the symptoms of coronavirus?

One, or more, of the following:

- High temperature – this means feeling hot to touch on the chest or back
- New, continuous cough – this means coughing a lot for more than an hour, or 3 or more coughing episodes in 24 hours (if you usually have a cough, it may be worse than usual)
- Loss of change to smell or taste – meaning not being able to smell or taste anything or things smell or taste different to normal.

DIARY DATES

22nd June – Year 4 – Lunt Fort Trip

