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WEEKLY BULLETIN

FRIDAY 14th JANUARY 2022



MESSAGE FROM THE HEAD

Dear Parents/Carers,

This week I was able to pop out to the playground and have a look at what has been going on. It is starting to come together nicely, with planted areas going in and the lines being repainted. It looks like a huge space given that we have had little or no playground for a number of years. Next week we are taking the School council and Eco-team 'beyond the wall' to see what recommendations they have to improve the outdoor environment at school.

There is some frustrating news: the big climbing frame posts have rotted, meaning that it hasn't passed the health and safety checks needed to remain in place.

This week you should have received an email from the office about a vacant parent Governor post. The Governing body have an important role in the school in giving constructive help, guidance and strategic oversight. It is a busy job but hopefully a rewarding one.

I would like to personally thank our former Chair of Governors, David Hope, Staff Governor Rachel Lockwood and Parent Governor Emma Fitzgibbons (all of whom are stepping down) for generously giving their time, effort and energy to support the school. It is very much appreciated.

Further to the message last week, we have now a number of confirmed Covid cases across the school among the children and some of the staff. We will continue to run things as close to normal as possible. Some of you will already have received an outbreak letter informing you of a case in your child's class and we will continue to do so as quickly as possible should more cases arise, and deal with things as they progress.

Just as a reminder that the new variant appears to have a wider variety of symptoms including a runny nose and sore throat, so if you do have any concerns please take a test at home before sending your child in.

Have great weekend!

Warmest wishes, Keith Smithard

HOT CHOCOLATE FRIDAY

Congratulations to the following children who always go 'over and above':

Y6 Violet

Y5 Gracie

Y4 Kyle

Y3 Zuhana

Y2 Indy

Y1 Lottie

PHILOSOPHY FOR CHILDREN

This week's question to discuss at home is from Indy and Ivy C:

Is it OK to lie sometimes?

UPCOMING EVENTS

Tues 18th Jan—Coffee & Chat 9am

Wed 19th Jan—Y2 Great Fire of London Workshop

His Dark Materials
By Philip Pullman
Recommended by Peggy (Year 6)



BOOK OF THE WEEK

“This is magical book that tells the coming of age tale of Lyra Silvertongue and Will Parry. They go through a host of adventures through space and time, even ending up in the land of the dead. I love this book because the author is very good with words and it keeps you hooked.”

MESSAGES FROM THE OFFICE

Clubs

Please see the email sent regarding clubs, most of the clubs still have spaces so you're not too late to get booked on!

Lost Property

The pile is building up again, please come and check, it's by the school office under the hatch!

Black PE Hoodies

We have a few in stock, please order and pay via Gateway and you can collect straight away! £8.50 each.

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