

CANON POPHAM CofE PRIMARY ACADEMY

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Friday 12th March 2021

Dear Parents and Carers,

It has been fantastic to have all the children back in school this week. Our attendance figure is excellent - 98.6% for this week, so thank you for getting the children back to school in such a positive way. We understand that this second lockdown has been difficult and that it may take some children a little longer to settle back into school. We have given children opportunities throughout the week to talk about how they feel, and have given them additional support if this has been needed. We will continue to be very mindful of our children's mental health and well-being, whilst at the same time getting back to teaching and learning.

We have also been delighted that for the vast majority of the children they have been happy to be back with their class friends and teachers and we have been able to quickly get back to the routines of learning in school. The children seem to be appreciating getting back to some 'normality'.

If you have any concerns about your child please feel welcome to speak to their class teacher, in the first instance. We are here to help.

Parents Evening

Thank you to all those parents who have signed up for their telephone parents evening consultation. We are sorry that this cannot take place face to face, but hope it will still give you the opportunity for a personal discussion with your child's teacher. As always, if you have any concerns that you feel would require a longer meeting, please feel welcome to contact us via e mail at enquiries@cpa.dsat.education or by telephone. We can then arrange for a longer appointment to be made.

Comic Relief Day 2021

Comic Relief Day 2021 is almost upon us. This year it takes place on Friday 19th March (next Friday). As always, we feel that it is important to support such events and we would like to have a 'wear something red' non- uniform day in school. We would request that you make your £1 donation to comic relief via ParentPay, so that staff can avoid having to handle money across school, for obvious safety reasons. You can make your donation at any point next week.

If children would like to wear their red nose to school on this day, please can you make sure that it is clearly named.

Reading at home

Many thanks to all those who have kept up with reading and making sure that our children are still progressing with this crucial skill. We still have a few parents who haven't started with Bug Club yet. Please contact school if you need help setting this up. We understand that for some parents, they prefer children to have 'real books' – we think they are important too! However, as we educate our children to take their place in the world, the use of IT is becoming more and more important, so combining reading from BOTH Bug Club and school reading books gives children the opportunity to read even more widely.



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A reminder about packed lunches and food allergies

Please can we remind those parents who are providing a packed lunch for their child that we ask that these do NOT include any nuts or nut based products.

We also ask that for children in Foundation Stage only, they do not contain bananas or banana flavoured products due to a member of the EYFS team having a banana allergy.

Thank you for helping us to keep everyone in school safe and well by avoiding these products.

An end of term celebration

On the last Friday afternoon of this term – Friday 26th March- we would like to celebrate the success and achievements of what has undoubtedly been a very challenging term, from zoom learning to returning safely and happily to school and all the great team work that this has involved. We would also like to acknowledge that for some children they will have had a birthday in the recent lockdown and will have been unable to celebrate with their friends in the usual way.

The PTA has been successful in securing some community funding, through the Local Authority. We are therefore able to have a class celebration incorporating all these special things.

Therefore, the final day of the term will be a non- uniform day. Children will be provided with a little celebration of individually wrapped treats for the afternoon – crisps, biscuits, juice etc. There may also be a little Easter treat to take home with them too!

Many thanks for your continued support
Mrs Navas



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