

Dear Parents,

Hi all – what another fantastic week we have had. This week we have had: children building houses for the 3 little pigs; trying out the skill of ‘Frottage’ created by Max Ernst in art; maps showing Stick Man how to get to our school and making friends to keep him company; choreographing their own machine style dances; coding with Scratch and finding major rivers in the world using co-ordinates in an atlas. It has been a very busy week.

### Changes to the self-isolation period for those who test positive for COVID-19:

#### We have just received an update from the Government.

From Monday 17 January, people who are self-isolating with COVID-19 will have the option to reduce their isolation period after 5 full days if they test negative with a lateral flow device (LFD) test on both day 5 and day 6 and they do not have a temperature. For example, if they test negative on the morning of day 5 and the morning of day 6, they can return to their education or childcare setting immediately on day 6.

The first test must be taken no earlier than day 5 of the self-isolation period, and the second must be taken the following day. All test results should be reported to NHS Test and Trace. If the result of either of their tests is positive, they should continue to self-isolate until they get negative results from two LFD tests on consecutive days or until they have completed 10 full days of self-isolation, whichever is earliest.

Anyone who is unable to take LFD tests or anyone who continues to have a temperature will need to complete the full 10 day period of self-isolation.

### Mr Green PE Wednesday:

The children absolutely love having Mr Green every Wednesday. Unfortunately, he is only able to fit 6 classes in on his day with us, which means that every half term, one class will not go out with him. If it is your child’s class that is missing his session, then they do not have to come in their PE kit on that day.



### NHS Scanner App:

The NHS have launched a food scanner app making it easier for families to find healthier foods and drinks options when shopping. If this is something that would interest you, please pick up a leaflet from the front entrance hall.

### Car park:

I have noticed that some of the younger children, whilst waiting for older siblings, like to chase around the cars in the car park. For health and safety reasons and to also stop distractions for our Year 5 class at the end of the day, please can we ask that younger children refrain from doing this.

### Wrong date & donations:

Apologies for sending the wrong date for our school DIY day. It should have said Saturday 29<sup>th</sup> January. We have two definite jobs so far – painting the staffroom and fixing/making the Reception play area gate. If you have any brilliant white paint at home that you are willing to donate to the school, we would gratefully appreciate it. We could also do with some sandpaper.

### Facebook:

Thanks for all the permission forms returned; please remember to return yours as soon as possible if you haven’t already. We hope you are enjoying our Facebook page; we love seeing all the likes we have had so far.

Scan here...



### Feedback:

At the end of each Up to The Minute, there will be a feedback form. Please use this to provide any feedback you may have. You can email it back to us or hand it to us via a hard copy.

**Feedback:**

If you want to provide us with feedback regarding our school, please do so here.

### General dates

19th January	TAG rugby Tournament
26th January	Talented Athlete
1st July 2022	Summer Fayre

### INSET days for this Academic Year

Monday 28th February 2022

Monday 6th June 2022

### Half Term / End of Term Holidays 2021/22

Friday 18th February	Last day of term
Monday 21st February—Friday 25th February	Half term
Tuesday 1st March	Return to school
Friday 8th April	Last day of term
Monday 11th April—Friday 22nd April	Easter holidays
Monday 25th April	Return to school
Friday 27th May	Last day of term
Monday 30th May—Friday 3rd June	Half term
Tuesday 7th June	Return to school
Thursday 21st July	End of term



This week's winning house is.....

**Drungewick**

## CONGRATULATIONS TO THE CHILDREN WHO RECEIVED A CELEBRATION CERTIFICATE

**Acorns** Finley for Collaboration and Dexter for Motivation

**Oak Class** Harry DD for Perseverance and Arlo for Commitment

**Willow Class** Kimberly for Happiness ,Freya for Commitment and Rupert for Focus

**Rowan Class** Maisie for Perseverance and Harley for Presentation

**Sycamore Class** Libby for Responsibility, Alice for Responsibility, Oliver for Responsibility and Abbie for Responsibility

**Mulberry Class** Tillie for Creativity and Jordan for Perseverance

**Chestnut Class** Charley for Achievement , Edward for Creativity and Tate for Diligence

**Headteacher's Award** Zac, Year 6, for Manners and Politeness.

### Kindness Tree

Etta Year 2

Isabella Year 6

Jordan Year 5

Ollie Year 2

Akido Year 2

Aiden Year 5

Isla G Year 2

Dexter Year R

Harry Year 6

Joshua Year 1