



Finchingfield St John the Baptist C of E
Primary Academy
Newsletter Date: 16th October 2020

**We grow healthy bodies, loving hearts and inquisitive minds at
Finchingfield: living 'life in all its fullness' John 10:10**

**Our Christian Values: Reverence Compassion Friendship Peace
Koinonia Endurance**

Dear Parents/Carers,

What a lovely week of learning we have had at school. Not sure everyone has enjoyed the weather, however I certainly saw some children enjoying the puddles!

On Monday 19th October we are taking the children to Church for our annual Harvest Church Service. Due to the current restrictions this service will be for pupils and staff only. The service will be slightly different to usual, no singing for example, however we have ensured that each class is involved with the service either by reading a poem or sharing a prayer.

We are inviting children and families to make donations for the local food bank for Harvest from Monday. These donations are not able to come into classrooms however we will be putting out boxes in the gazebo on the front playground for donations to be stored safely before delivering to the food bank. Please place your donation directly into the box. Tinned and packaged foods, such as cereal bars, chocolate bars, Jam, Sponge puddings, mash potato, pasta, soup or non-food items such as deodorant and washing detergent (preferably in gel form) are on the most desired shopping list for the food bank. For more information on items please visit <https://braintreearea.foodbank.org.uk/give-help/donate-food/>

You will receive a letter next week outlining our plans for Parents Consultations this term. They will take place the week commencing 9th November. Each family will be offered a choice of either a face-to-face meeting, for one parent attending only, or a telephone conversation. Please ensure you complete the letter for each child.

Our ParentPay system will be going active from 2nd November 2020. A letter will be sent to you individually with details on how to access ParentPay, how to log in and your personal activation username and activation password. If you have any difficulties please do get in touch.

You must ensure that you are fully up-to-date with your current dinner money arrears before any school meals can be ordered via ParentPay.

The PTA are holding a virtual AGM on Tuesday 20th October. More details can be found on the PTA Facebook page.

Wishing you a lovely weekend. *Miss M Raymond*

Attendance:

This week: 98%

School Target: 95%

Key Dates:

Mon 19th Oct – Harvest Church Service
(pupils and staff only)

Fri 23rd Oct – INSET day

Mon 9th Nov-Fri 13th Nov Parent
Consultations

Half Term:

Mon 26th Oct – Fri 30th Oct

Christmas Break:

Mon 21st Dec – Fri 1st Jan (Mon
4th Jan – INSET day)

This week's Proud Cloud: Class 2



Star of the week



House Points

This week's house points across the school:

Ruby: 162
Sapphire: 147
Emerald: 142

House points so far this term:

Ruby: 610
Sapphire: 546
Emerald: 488

Class Champions

