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Learning together in friendship and faith



NEWSLETTER – January 2022

Welcome to the first newsletter of 2022! I hope you all had a fantastic Christmas and New Year break and managed some quality time with friends and family. The children have all come back into school incredibly well this term and we are really proud of how hard they are all working!

COVID 19- UPDATES

We are still living with Covid 19 and there continue to be cases within the local schools in SAST. At the time of writing we have 1 positive case in school and I am incredibly grateful with all your help and support over the past weeks and months.

As a school, we continue to work within national guidance, please see below for help and support with this:

1- If a child tests positive on a lateral flow test, with **NO** symptoms they are **NOT** required to get a PCR test but must isolate, for minimum of 5 **WHOLE** days. If they then test negative, on a lateral flow test, on **BOTH** days 5 and 6 they can come back to school on the **6TH** day. If your child continues to test positive on the lateral flow they must isolate until they have 2 negative results on consecutive days or until the end of 10 days.

2- If a child has one of the symptoms below they must go immediately for a PCR test and **NOT** come to school. We are also noticing some children having other symptoms such as stomach upsets and bad headaches. If you are unsure, I would suggest getting a PCR test to confirm this is not Covid 19.

- a high temperature – this means you feel hot to touch on your chest or back (you do not need to measure your temperature)
- a 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)
- a loss or change to your sense of smell or taste – this means you've noticed you cannot smell or taste anything, or things smell or taste different to normal

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If children are able to continue with weekly or twice weekly lateral flow tests this will really help keep everyone safe and is greatly appreciated by everyone in our school community!

Our school value for this half term is **Perseverance**

Teachers often say that perseverance is something that many children find difficult. Very little that is really worthwhile in life can be achieved without perseverance. An athlete may train for years before they are ready to compete at the highest level. A musician must practice every day, sometimes for hours at a time, if they are to really master their instrument.

FAMILY FOCUS

- How would each family member rate themselves on a scale of 1 - 10 at perseverance?
- Can you give an example of something you have achieved by determined perseverance?
- Is there a skill that you think you could improve with perseverance?

**FAMILY FOCUS**

The Perseverance Challenge
Ask each member of the family to write (on identical pieces of paper) a challenge that will require **perseverance** to complete. Fold the paper 4 times and place it in a bag with the others. Invite each person to place their hand into the bag (whilst looking the other way) and pick out a challenge which they have one week to complete. (Think carefully about the challenge you set and if possible make it a worthwhile and useful thing to do).

WHAT'S BEEN HAPPENING IN SCHOOL?

All of our children have been enjoying their new topics in school and are really enjoying their learning linked to these!

LADYBIRD CLASS- TOWERS, TUNNELS AND TURRETS!



BEE CLASS- PREDATOR!



Dragonfly Class- FROZEN KINGDOM!

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ONLINE LEARNING

Our children have all been enjoying our online learning over the past month. Children have all been taking part in maths activities on Doodle Maths and Doodle Tables. We are also really proud of our children who are reading at home and accessing MyON to support this. If you have any problem accessing these online learning platforms, please contact your class teacher on Dojo.



MyON Online Reading portal- www.myon.co.uk

Doodle Maths and Doodle Tables- <https://www.doodlelearning.com/>

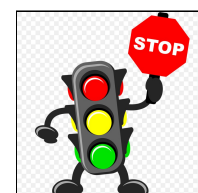
AFTER SCHOOL CLUBS

Our children are all really enjoying our new after school club programme and they are full with lots of pupils! As children are now signed up for these clubs we are expecting them to come each week. If children no longer need the place at a club, then please let us know as we have children on a waiting list. We still have spaces for our start of the day club from 8:15am so please let Mrs Vaughan know if you need a space in this.



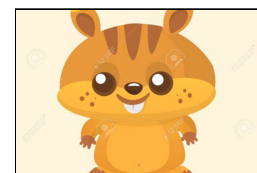
WALL REPAIRS OUTSIDE OF SCHOOL

Thank you for your support with drop off and pick up, whilst the wall opposite our school is being repaired. We will continue to use the back gate for drop off and pick up until this work is complete. Many apologies if this has caused an inconvenience but it is out of our control.



CHIPMUNKS

We are really excited that our toddler group 'Chipmunks' is now up and running in school for local babies, toddlers and their families. These take place on the last Friday of every month. The next two sessions are on Friday 28th January and Friday 18th February due to half term. The sessions are from 9:30-11am in our school hall. Please spread the word and we look forward to seeing you there!



REMEMBERING MISS STENINGER

We have continued to remember the wonderful Miss Steninger in a range of ways over the past few weeks. The children have planted a pink flower bed in our Forest School. This will have flowers all year round and we are really grateful to all of the families who have donated plants towards this. We also have a new bench in school for children to sit on and enjoy with their friends. This will provide a reflection area for children and also be a lovely spot to sit with friends.

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PUPILS OF THE WEEK

Please see below our pupils of the week for this term. Well done to all of these incredible pupils!

Dates	Pupil of the Week
Week Ending 7th January 2022	Billie-Mae, Elliot and Nancy
Week Ending 14th January 2022	Cassia, Dolly and Emma
Week Ending 21st January 2022	Charlie, Josie and Chloe



TOP DOODLERS!

We have also been awarding certificates to our children who have been using and learning doodle maths. Each week we have been awarding the 'Top Doodlers' with a certificate for earning stars and completing tasks each day as a streak!

Dates	Top Doodlers!
Over Christmas Holidays	Hettie, Rosie A and Chloe
Week Ending 14th January 2022	Olivia, Rosie A and Elodie
Week Ending 21st January 2022	Isabelle, Rosie A and Sophia



FSA- UPCOMING EVENTS

FSA COFFEE AND CAKE- FRIDAY 4TH FEBRUARY- 3:15-4PM

Come and join the FSA for some delicious coffee and cake on Friday 4th February after school. We look forward to seeing you there.



BREAK THE RULES DAY- FRIDAY 18TH FEBRUARY- ALL DAY

Our FSA have organised a break the rules day at the end of this half term. Children will have to pay to break different rules such as wearing uniforms and school shoes. More details will follow on this later in the term!



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DATES FOR YOUR DIARY- ALL EVENTS BELOW ARE SUBJECT TO COVID RESTRICTIONS IF NECESSARY

Key Events - Autumn Term 2021			
Description	Date	Time	Classes Involved/Information
Chipmunks Toddler Group	Friday 28th January Friday 18th February	9:30-11am in School Hall	N/A
FSA Coffee and Cake	Friday 4th February	After School	More information to follow
Road Safety Talks	Friday 11th February	All day	All classes to be involved
FSA 'Break the Rules' Day	Friday 18th February	All day	More information to follow
Half Term Holiday	Monday 21st- Friday 25th February	N/A	School reopens on Tuesday 1st March- INSET Day 28th Feb
Parents Evening	Tues 1st March Thursday 3rd March	3:30-5pm 4:30-6pm	Face to Face- Covid allowing
World Book Day	Thursday 3rd March	All Day	More information to follow
Comic Relief	Friday 18th March	All Day	More information to follow
Pink for Paige Day	Monday 21st March	All Day	A special day to remember Miss Steninger on what would have been her 30th birthday!
Whole Class Photos	Friday 25th March	AM	All children to have whole class photo taken on this day
Sports Hall Athletics	Thursday 31st March	PM	Selected KS2 children at King Arthur's
Easter Egg Hunt	Friday 8th April	In the School Day	More information to follow
Easter Holidays	Mon 11th April – Friday 22nd April	N/A	Return to school on Monday 25th April 2022.
Platinum Jubilee Party!	Friday 27th May	All Day	More information to follow

We hope you all have a great end to this half term!



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