

# Newsletter

#### Friday 18th February 2022

Dear Parents and Carers,

It has been an incredibly stormy day and we have all spent the last day of this half term hunkering down, being busy indoors. Fortunately we don't see 65mph winds very often and at least we haven't needed to close as some schools have today, in some parts of the country.

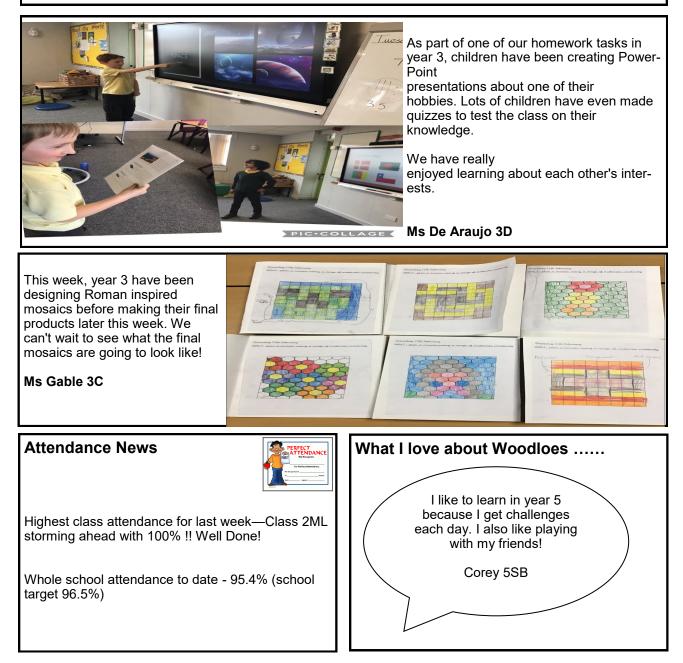
We had a Peer Review day on Wednesday, which gave us a great opportunity to have a very detailed look at key aspects of our provision. Philip Hamilton (CEO of CAT), Ed May (Exec Director of CAT) and two further primary head teachers spent a very full day with us looking at the delivery of our curriculum and checking the children's engagement, progress and overall behaviour. The team were very complimentary about the school overall and highlighted the children's excellent use of scientific vocabulary specifically, in their initial feedback.

The most valuable part of the review from our perspective is to receive constructive feedback to ensure our ongoing development plans are focussed in the right areas and we are looking forward to receiving the full report in due course. In staffing news, as previously advised, it was Mrs Jeffery's last day yesterday and we had a whole school assembly on TEAMs to say goodbye. She has been a wonderful member of our team and we will certainly miss her sense of humour!

In other news, Miss Winstanley is getting married next week in Iceland and we would all like to wish her and her future husband all the very best!

It is half term next week and we also have a training day on Monday 28th Feb, so we will next see the children in school on Tuesday 1st March. Have a wonderful break, stay well and many thanks for your continuing support.

#### Andy Mitchell - Head Teacher





### School Holiday Activities—

<u>Warwick School</u> have a few spaces left available for their half term holiday club, running from Monday 21st February to Friday 25th February. Book quickly to avoid disappointment! Please refer to the link <u>https://www.warwickschool.org/february-holiday-action-2022</u>

- Fun Short Courses for Years 2 to 7
- Cygnets Early Years programme for Reception and Year 1
- £38 per day
- Early and late options

<u>Onside</u> are offering **Active Kids**, **Football** and **Dance** in Warwick and Stratford. Prices for Feb half term remain at £20 per day 08.30am to 4.00pm, still with a discount for 4 and 5 days. Easter will see the return of flexible times and unbeatable prices.

Old Learningtonians RFC has recently launched a **Girls' Tag Rugby** section to encourage more girls into the sport. 10.30am every Sunday at Old Learningtonians RFC. No experience needed. New players welcome. Age 8yrs+ Give it a try! Contact Kate Lawlor on 07917631599 for more details.

#### Other News .....Book Fair Success

Thank you to everyone who supported the Scholastic Book Fair last week. Despite a few problems with processing orders on line this year, we are pleased to say the school has earnt £730.00 of rewards to purchase new books for our children in school.

### Choir Continues!.....

Choir will continue next half term every Thursday lunchtime, for Years 4-6 (with an emphasis on Young Voices for the 30 children attending in May 2022)





**School Swimming—Year 5 next term...**Sessions will continue for Year 5 students every Tuesday following the February half term. The first session will be on Tuesday 1st March, for six weeks and the last session will be on Tuesday 5th April. Please log on to your parent account and process the final payment. Cost remains the same—£12.00.

## Warwick Rotary Club Pancake Races

Year 6 are looking forward to taking part in the Warwick Pancake Races after half-term. We will be sending four teams to compete in the relay where teams will have to flip pancakes whilst running across Warwick Market Square. The rest of year 6 will be cheering our teams on as they race against other local primary schools. We wish them the best of luck and hopefully they will have good weather too!



**Uniform**—With next week being half term, the holiday period is always a good opportunity for parents/carers to check their child's uniform is clearly labelled. There are always a number of items in lost property that have been labelled (in biro) and after a few washes, the name fades away and we are unable to identify the owner/s. Please spend 5 minutes checking and relabelling (if necessary), so that we can try and reduce the amount of lost property. Thank you.