



Dear Parents and Carers,

As you will be aware, we have unfortunately had to close two class bubbles this week following reports of two positive COVID cases in school. Following PHE's advice and guidelines, we closed RH on Monday followed by the 2ML bubble on Tuesday. I would like to thank all staff for managing these bubble closures so efficiently and parents / carers for supporting this process and for collecting your children so promptly.

Linked to this, I have been asked about the guidance around bringing children, who are self-isolating due to bubble closures, to school when dropping off and collecting siblings. I would like to reassure you that this is okay. The advice we have received states that, 'the most ideal arrangement would be that another adult is able to accompany your child to school whilst maintaining social distancing. However if that is not possible, your self-isolating child can walk with you to enable the other child to attend school. However you must ensure that you social distance and inform others to maintain their distance'.

As previously stated, the biggest protective measure we have is to keep infection out of school. Thank you to all parents / carers for your continued support by adhering closely to drop off and collection times and for wearing face coverings both around and on the school site. This is very much appreciated.

In other news, the children have had yet another fantastic week. On Monday, Mr Mitchell spoke to the whole school in assembly about Remembrance Day. This was followed by observing a 2-minute silence on Wednesday at 11:00am. Monday's assembly then concluded with a performance by 5W who sang Sani-Bonanai and played along on the djembe drums. Their performance was outstanding. 5SB also performed this song to myself and Mr Mitchell on Monday morning. We were both really impressed. Thank you to all of Year 5 and well done.

There have been lots of exciting Children in Need activities happening around school today and all of the children looked fantastic wearing their non-uniform / yellow clothes / Children in Need outfits. A huge thank you to Ms Valentine, Miss Lyons, Miss Tresadem and Miss Winstanley for organising the fun QUIZ TIME which included questions about general knowledge, animals, entertainment and who's who. All planned activities were rounded off by a brilliant whole school Minion Zumba dance on the playground this afternoon. Children and staff danced really well and everybody had great fun. I anticipate some members of staff will feel it in their legs tomorrow morning! Thank you to everybody who helped to make this such a brilliant day. If you haven't donated to Children in Need yet, please remember to follow the link <https://donate.bbcchildreninneed.co.uk/>.

Many thanks for your continuing support. Please remember that we are here to help if we can.

Best wishes, stay safe and take care.

Sian Stevens
Deputy Headteacher

On Wednesday 4th of November 2020, Year 6 had their weekly assembly and Mrs Burnard and Mrs Khaira questioned the children about the world's current affairs.



Year 6 discussed 2020 presidential elections for the USA. Both classes debated on reasons why Donald Trump and Joseph Biden would be the most effective president for the USA. We looked into the issues that are occupying America today and we researched if the two men running for position would solve problems such as: gun violence, discrimination and the economy. After we learnt about these two candidates, we had a year group vote. Mrs Hood acted as an adjudicator by counting up the total votes. In the end Joe Biden had a total of 42 votes and Trump had a total of 8 votes; we are looking forward to seeing the actual US results and what this will entail.

Reported by Caleb 6K and Ruby 6Bu

Additional Item

Stratford Girls' Grammar School - Admissions Consultation: 2022 entry

As required by the Admissions Code, **Stratford Girls' Grammar School** has published its proposed Admissions Policy for 2022 entry and has initiated a consultation period which will run from Friday 6th November to Friday 18th December 2020.

Copies of the policy can be viewed on the school's website at www.sqgs.org.uk.

If anyone wishes to comment on Stratford Girls' Grammar School's draft policy, they should write to Mrs C Spooner, Clerk to the Governors, at the school address: Stratford Girls Grammar School, Shottery Manor, Shottery, Stratford-upon-Avon, CV37 9HA.

The deadline for receipt of comments is midday on Friday 18th December 2020.

Attendance News



Highest class attendance for last week—Class RC (Mrs Connelly) with 100%!

Whole school attendance to date - 95.3% (school target 96.5%)

What I love about Woodloes

Imagine a class which is fun and sensible, and a class that is the best! That's our class!

Ella-Mae Class 5SB



Pupil Voice

The children had great fun with their Children in Need activities today. They took part in a quiz, had a Minions inspired dance off (socially distanced, of course!) and all looked brilliant in their own clothes, including an item of yellow clothing as a nod to Pudsey!

Thank you to Ms Valentine, Miss Lyons and the school council for their time and enthusiasm to ensure everyone has enjoyed supporting this worthy cause.

Thank you also to our parents for all your donations. If you have not already done so and would like to donate, please do so via the link <https://donate.bbcchildreninneed.co.uk/>



Focus on Excellence

Year 4 have been busy with their science topic this week learning about States of Matter. We have been investigating the temperature of different areas of our classroom, the playground and even the hot and cold tap using thermometers. We used this information to help us work out the temperature of different things in our world including the North Pole, the desert, inside the freezer and the boiling point of water. We linked this with our maths learning about negative numbers and will be investigating the changes in state from solid to liquid to gas later in the term.

Other News

Food collection point

Packmore Community Centre have advised us they are working with FairShare, who provide food free of charge from the Community Centre every Tuesday 10am - 2pm. If you or someone you know would benefit from this, please do make use of this valuable service.

Trinity School

Trinity School has produced a Virtual Open Event which is a series of short videos including a welcome from their Executive Principal and Head of School, a chance to meet their students and virtually visit subject departments. This can be found on their school website via link: <http://www.trinity-school.org.uk/virtual-open-event-october-2020/>. If you need any further information, please contact Mr J Shires, Head of School via email: shires.j1@welearn365.com.

Appointments/timekeeping/Personal Possessions

As you are aware, procedures have been put into place to minimise movement in/around school and in the 'bubbles' at this current time. It is very important that everyone continues to adhere to their timeslots to ensure children are not moving unnecessarily around school. Please therefore ensure that your child/children arrive at school on time.

Please also ensure that your child is fully equipped for the school day, as we are unable to accept any 'forgotten' items ie., water bottles, snacks etc., once your child has arrived at school, to ensure that 'bubbles' are not entered unnecessarily taking items down to classes. Thank you

Christmas Action

This popular out of school club is now open for bookings for the Christmas holidays, and will be running courses for Reception up to Year 6. The number of places available will be limited in order to ensure Government guidelines regarding social distancing are met. Places are available on a 'first come, first served' basis. Please visit the link below and click on BOOK TODAY to make your booking.

<https://www.warwickschool.org/christmas-activities-2020-21>

For more information, please email Adrian Bevan at A.Bevan@warwickschools.co.uk .