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FEDERATION NEWS Friday 28th January 2022

Dear Parents / Carers,

I just thought I would give you another quick update. At present we have 8 positive cases at the Infant Site, 23 positive covid cases at the Junior Site. We have managed to keep the school open again this week, however we are very close to having to close a class if we have any more staff absences.

As I have said before, my aim is to try and keep the school as normal as possible for the children. I am finding ways to cover classes, rather than close classes, and get staff to do extra duties to cover for those not here. A challenge, but the staff continue to step up to the challenge to keep everything running 'normally'. With the increased cases in school at the moment, can I ask again that a LFDT is done either on Sunday or Monday morning if you are able to please. If your child is positive, please also let the school know. This would then ease transmission in school and stop asymptomatic children coming in after the weekend, and hopefully start to bring numbers back down again. I am really hoping that we will start to see a decrease in cases next week.

Thank you to those families that have kept children off with colds as well. Normally I would say to send children in with coughs and colds, but at the moment it is certainly better to be more cautious.

Have a lovely weekend.

Take care
Richard

LATE ATTENDANCE

Just a reminder that school starts at 8:45am at the Infants and 8:55am at the Juniors. If your child is running late in the morning we would appreciate it if you could do the school to let us know.

When your child is late they miss out on vital school work as generally this is when the children do their phonics sessions. In the Infant Site all the children in the school move to their phonics groups at 9am, if your child arrives late they have missed out on the ground work for that lesson, so will miss that day's sounds/ words, consequently they will struggle when it comes to the writing part of the session. Also late arrivals are very disrupting for the other children in the class.

We do understand that sometimes being late cannot be helped but this is becoming an increasing problem.

Please can you also let us know if your child is off from school and the reason they are off, this can be done via dojo or via the absence line.

STAFF VACANCY

We are looking to recruit a Midday Supervisor Assistant at the Infant Site, for more details please go to our website— www.loddonprimaryfederation.co.uk/about-us/staff-vacancies/

We are also looking for cleaner for 1 hour each day (Monday to Friday) between 7:45-8:45am for more information regarding this position please contact Jo at Monthind on 07718 583333

2Z NEWS

2Z have been working really hard this half term. Our topic has been 'Let's Go Exploring' and we have been focusing on the arctic and even more closely at Polar Bears. To help us understand more about polar bears and their habitat we started by looking more closely at the microhabitats around us and did a brilliant mini-beast hunt. We used the information we gathered and created a massive pictogram from it. Later on we turned our attention to more global habitats and using a range of different sources created wonderful team research posters and presented them to the rest of the class. All this learning then helped us understand the arctic habitat and more specifically the adaptations polar bears needed to survive in such a harsh environment. This week, we looked closely at the dimensions of a polar bear and how big they were, so using our amazing measuring skills went and measured out a polar bear on the playground to help us understand why these creatures are at the top of the food chain!



PARENTS EVENING -15/16 MARCH

We usually have our parents evening the week before half-term, which would be the 8 and 9 February. As you are aware, positive Covid cases are across the school, and some staff are off at the moment. We feel that it is important to see parents face-to-face if possible, but at the moment, having lots of parents in school may cause great transmission and be a mistake.

I have decided to move the Parents Evening from 8/9 February to 15/16 March, with the aim to have face-to-face meetings. We will change it slightly and have the meetings in classrooms rather than in the hall to spread people out around the school. All staff are happy with this arrangement and also want to see parents in person with appropriate safety in place to protect everyone. We will send details nearer the time for booking Parents Evening slots.

SECOND HAND UNIFORM SALE

Rev Alison is holding a second hand uniform sale on 25th February in the Lecture Hall at St John's on George Lane at 2:30pm-4:00pm.
If anyone has any good quality second hand donations, please bring these to either school before 10th February.

NEW YEAR 6 CLASSROOM

We have had numerous challenges with getting the new classroom installed for 6G, however, the end is now in sight! The classroom should be up and running from after half-term, yay!



February
Half Term
Football Fun Camp

Location:	Framingham Earl Sport centre, Poringland
Dates:	17th & 18th February
Times:	09:00-15:30
Fees:	£25 per day or £40 for both days

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About the Club

All children aged 3-11 are welcome*

With small groups and a relaxed child-led atmosphere, it is a great environment for:

- Children who struggle in large groups
- Children who are attending a club for the first time
- Children who thrive in a quieter setting
- Children with special educational needs and disabilities

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