



25th February 2022

Dear Parents and Carers,

This week Year 5 and 6 have undertaken their Level 1 & 2 **Bikeability training**. Once they had completed the basic skills test on the playground on day 1 they have then been out on the road, in small groups, under the watchful eyes of the trainers from Hertfordshire. They have loved the experience and have been a credit to the school in terms of their conduct the whole week. I have attached some photos of the children on page 2 – there is even a glimpse of blue sky!

World Book Day

A reminder that world book day is taking place next **Thursday 3rd March** with the theme “**you are a reader**”. We would like children to come to school either dressed up as a character from their favourite book or with an item or accessory that represents their chosen character. As always, we ask for a £1 donation if you are able to which will be sent to the World Book Day charity. The children will also be given their £1 World Book Day token to spend on the official World Book Day books or towards a book costing more than £2.99 in participating stores.

COVID Update

Further updated guidance for schools has been published which will be in place from now until the end of this term. This includes public health advice, endorsed by the United Kingdom Health Security Agency (UKHSA). The update says that when an individual develops COVID-19 symptoms or has a positive test then pupils, staff and other adults should follow guidance (People with COVID-19 and their contacts) which states:

- **There is no longer a legal requirement for people with coronavirus (COVID-19) infection to self-isolate, however if you have any of the main symptoms of COVID-19 or a positive test result, the public health advice is to stay at home and avoid contact with other people.**
- **Children and young people with COVID-19 should not attend their education setting while they are infectious. They should take an LFD test from 5 days after their symptoms started (or the day their test was taken if they did not have symptoms) followed by another one the next day. If both these tests results are negative, they should return to their educational setting as long as they feel well enough to do so and do not have a temperature.**

For further details please follow the link below

<https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/covid-19-people-with-covid-19-and-their-contacts/covid-19-people-with-covid-19-and-their-contacts>

At the moment it is proposed that free testing for the public will end on 1st April. There will be further guidance at this point and we will update you again when we receive this. We are also asking that any parents or visitors who come into school continue to wear masks when walking through central areas. We thank you again for your continued support in keeping our school community as safe as possible at this time.

I hope you all have a lovely weekend
With best wishes

Sharon Barton
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