



Covid-19

As parents will have seen in the press yesterday, Surrey has been placed in Tier 2 of the Government's restrictions once the national lockdown ends on Tuesday. Attached to the newsletter this week are posters detailing what the restrictions are for each tier, which we hope parents will find useful.

Staff News

We are delighted to share the exciting news that both Miss Glaves and Miss Fitzgerald are expecting a baby in April! Due to the Government guidance for pregnant members of staff, both Miss Glaves and Miss Fitzgerald will be working from home when they reach the 28 week stage of their pregnancies, which is early January, until their official maternity leave begins. During this time, they will be carrying out remote learning with children through the wonders of modern technology! We know parents will join us in congratulating both members of staff at this exciting time.

Parents Equality Survey

There is still time to complete our Equality survey, so far we've only had 15 responses – thank you to those parents – but we would like more information from you. Please could one parent or carer per household complete the following survey, which is seeking views about how diverse (reflective of different unique people) our learning offer is? <https://forms.gle/MgngodyCR3wLiq1cA>

Uniform

A reminder that children should be coming to school in trainers every day. We are seeing a few winter boots creeping in but children need to be in trainers to ensure they can take part in their daily mile safely. Can we please also remind parents that children should only be wearing small, discreet stud earrings and for any child whose hair is shoulder length or longer, it needs to be tied back with plain green bands; big bows are for home and not school. Thank you.

Christmas Gifts

Last year, in a change to the traditional gift giving at Saxon, teachers made something special with the children in class for them to take home, as the school's way of wishing the children a Merry Christmas. The whole staff team also decided to give gifts to charity rather than each other, and created Christmas gift hampers which were donated to local charities. Following the success of this last year, we will continue with this new tradition at Saxon. As always, there is never any expectation for staff to receive gifts from children and families.

Panto!

For the last few years, we've had a visit from M&M Productions in January who perform a well-loved panto to the children. This year, whilst the format is going to be different and Covid-secure, we are excited to share that the Panto will be going ahead on the 14th & 15th January to children in Years 1-6. Rather than two performances (one per key stage) and several actors, M&M will be delivering 6 performances of The Wizard of Oz and they have come up with a very clever way of making the show interactive so only one actor will be present in school. Each year group will join together but remain at a 2m distance from the other class. We know the children love this treat each year and we hope it will brighten up an otherwise dull January! There is no cost to parents as it is funded by the SSA. All children will participate unless parents let us know they do not



want their child to watch the show. Thank you to the SSA and all parents' contributions towards the fundraising events which has made it possible for the panto to take place this year.

Admissions Consultation

We are currently undertaking a consultation on the admission arrangements for September 2022. For further information please see our website by clicking on this link:

<https://www.saxonprimary.co.uk/page/?title=Admission+Consultation&pid=37>

End of Term Arrangements

Usually, on the last day of the school term, all children finish at 1:45pm. To ensure we continue to dismiss the children in a safe way, the last day of term will finish from 2pm with the children still being dismissed in their 5 minute intervals. To clarify the timings for pick up on Friday 18th December will be as follows:

| Class | Collection Time |
|--------------|------------------------|
| Reception | 2:00pm |
| Year 1 | 2:05pm |
| Year 2 | 2:10pm |
| Year 3 | 2:15pm |
| Year 4 | 2:20pm |
| Year 5 | 2:25pm |
| Year 6 | 2:30pm |

The sibling collection arrangements still apply.

Home School Link Work Virtual Parent Sessions

Our Home School Link Workers have been looking at ways to support our parent community during this challenging time and we would like to introduce our Virtual Parent Sessions.

Each week, one of our schools will take a turn to discuss a topic using Google Meet. We would love you to join us and this support is open to everyone from any of our schools. You can choose to join the week you are interested in, or all 5 of them.

*Please follow this Google Meet link to access one or all of the sessions:
meet.google.com/jtk-nxsg-nhn*

We will be on-line every Thursday from 11am until 11.30am.

Thursday 3rd December - Discuss challenging behaviour and looking at routines

Thursday 10th December - Encouraging healthy choices in school

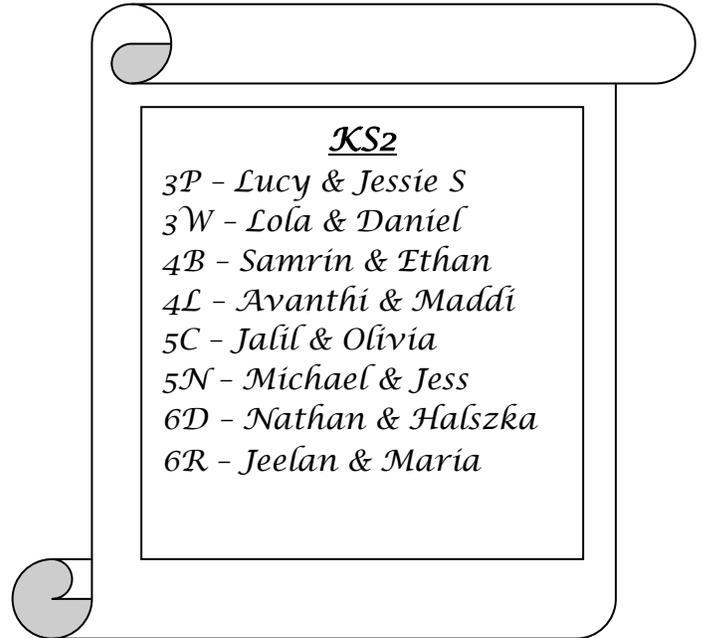
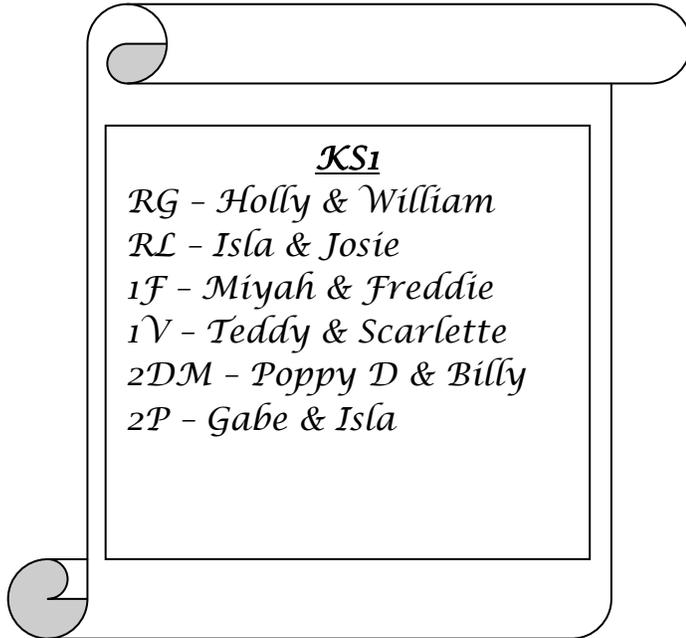
*We look forward to seeing you — Shelly Lumb, Emma Sutton,
Lyn Lenton-Clark, Jane Hughes, Kate Hobley and Nikki Edwards.*

New Lumen Learning Trust career opportunity: School Business Manager (SBM)

Lumen is looking to recruit a motivated and dynamic School Business Manager (SBM). This is an exciting new role to support the business management of the Trust. The successful candidate must have strong financial skills, demonstrate a professional approach, be happy to work on their own as well as part of the school community and have excellent communication, ICT and organisational skills. Any interested candidates can find out more via this link to our eteach job advertisement <https://www.eteach.com/job/school-business-manager-1123308>. The closing date for applications is Friday 11th December.

Golden Learning Celebration

This week, the children showing exceptional learning are:



Stay on Green



Consistently demonstrating green behaviour choices throughout the entire week and therefore receiving a golden leaf this week were: Freya (RG); Emily (1F); Leah (1V); Poppy J, River, Finley, Janna & Arthur (2DM); Felix & Lazaar (2P); Georgia (3P); Charlie & Bobby M (4B); Sophie & Leyla (4L); Liam, Halle, Tempee & Scarlett (5C); Max & Mia (6D) and Florence & Lena (6R) very well done!

Wishing you all an enjoyable weekend.

Mrs Davis & Miss Morris
Headteachers