



Mrs Mastrocola's Weekly Digest Issue 6 - Friday 15th October 2021

Dear Families,

This week we have had our first in-person class assembly for almost nineteen months with Year 6 Riley Class teaching us all they know about 'The Unexplained'! It was lovely to welcome parents and carers of Riley Class back into the school hall to watch. The assembly was recorded and made available on Google Classroom for the whole school to see. Next **Wednesday 20th October**, Da Vinci Class will host their assembly.

Please note that at morning drop off the one-way system is now the shorter path to the car park past Haring, and children go through the big gates by themselves. This worked really well all last week (when the area by the back gate was flooded). In the afternoons pick-up will remain in the KS1 playground. Villiers Road gets very busy when everyone is queuing for school. Please be mindful of others and do not block the pavement - we do not want families to have to walk in the road to get past. Thank you.

A reminder that, as well as a number of cases of COVID, we have also had multiple children in school who have unpleasant coughs and colds. With the complications with COVID, it is vital that children showing symptoms are tested - if a child is unwell they should not be in school. This allows the child a chance to recover and protects all in school. It is really important that everyone plays their part - by doing so our school will be able to 'Stay Safe and Stay Open':

- if your child is unwell with symptoms like fever, headache, cough, sore throat they should not be in school and you should arrange a PCR test
- remember that 40-70% of children have no symptoms so the twice weekly rapid flow tests are so vital for your family. Test kits are available from the school office.

Please note, the week beginning **Monday 25th October** is half-term. We also have an INSET day on **Monday 1st November**, so children return to school on **Tuesday 2nd November**. We hope you all enjoy a well-earned break.

Have a lovely weekend - best wishes,

Lucy Mastrocola, Acting Headteacher

World Mental Health Day

Thank you so much to all who contributed to the fund for our sensory garden last Friday. So far, it has raised £229. The children all had fun making their own gardens and wearing green t-shirts!



Outdoor Learning Day

We are excited to announce our next Super Learning Day on **Friday 22nd October** which has an outdoor learning theme. Children will take their learning outdoors in a range of exciting activities linked to our curriculum and our love of the outdoors. There will be opportunities to



learn in our play areas, the allotment and the wild area. Children can wear MUFTI for the day - please dress in old clothes and a coat for going outside. If the forecast is wet, please wear a waterproof coat and wellies for being outdoors with shoes to change into inside. We look forward to sharing our learning with you.

London Marathon

The mini marathon and Mr McLaughlin's London marathon have jointly raised £3346 to date! Well done everyone, whether running or sponsoring! It is still not too late to sponsor Mr McLaughlin here : <https://www.givey.com/mrmclaughlinsmarathon>, or the children, on: <https://www.givey.com/kalondonminimarathon>. The fundraising pages will close on 31st October 2021. Thank you so much for your donations and for your support.

House Competition

This week there are three joint winners! Blue, Green and Yellow Houses all earned 24 points, with Red right behind on 23. Well done all!



Villers (24)



Dawson (23)



Cambridge (24)



Hawks (24)

Certificates of Excellence

Well done to the following children who received their certificate of excellence this week:



Achievement Award

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PE KS1 - Toby in Van Gogh Class Y1

PE KS2 - Kacey in Dali Class Y5

Van Gogh Y1 - Katarina & Aida

Mehretu Y4 - Tamuka & Violet

O'Keefe Y1 - Jeremiah & Mustafa

Wiley Y4 - Kyrell & Aletheia

Hockney Y2 - Ben & Robbie

Dali Y5 - Charlie & Hayden

Matisse Y2 - Freya & Nancy

Warhol Y5 - Josie & Lula

Cassatt Y3 - Nicola & Gracie Mae

Kahlo Y6 - Elspeth & Sam

Da Vinci Y3 - Declan & Kayla Riley Y6 - Harrison & whole class for fantastic assembly!

PCSA News

The PCSA is busy planning the Christmas Fair on **Saturday 4th December**. Don't forget, let the PCSA know if you would be happy to have an estate agent's board outside your house to advertise the fair. It would be there for about 4 weeks, and each board earns the PCSA a fee. Just email PCSA at: kingathelstanpcsa@gmail.com.

Y2 hosted the first cake sale of the year today, raising over £300. The next sale will be Y5 on 19th November.