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Good Evening

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The Omicron virus has continued to bite this week. Today we have 2 confirmed cases on the staff and 8 cases in children. There seemed to be a bit of a Covid-19 pocket in one class earlier in the week and so we wrote to all parents of the children in that class asking them to test their children before they came back to school, just to reduce the spread within the school community. We are still getting our heads around new guidance so please do not hesitate to ask for advice about what you should do but be patient with us if we have to check the DFE paperwork to make sure we get it right!

From Monday we are able to reduce isolation after 5 days. If you test negative on a LFD test on days 5 and 6 you can return to school. If not, you must continue self-isolation until you have had negative LFDs for two consecutive days. If you are still positive you may return to school after day 10 providing you no longer have a temperature.

Despite an increase in Covid-19 cases there has been some great learning going on in classes this week. YR found a nest with a dinosaur egg in their outside learning area on Monday. Y1/2 have been practising for their class assemblies and learning very exciting facts about the planets. Y3/4 have been sketching dragons using a variety of media. Y5 have been learning to make movies in computing. Y6 have been making steady hand games that include circuits and buzzers and the SRP children have been visiting local supermarkets to buy some very exotics fruits to taste.

Next week the Planetarium will be in school for Y1/2 and Y5. It will be a very special day where children will learn lots about the solar system.

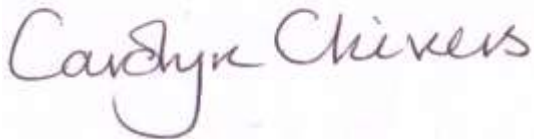
We have now been sent a new date for the Young Voices concert at the O2 arena that was cancelled earlier this month. The concert will now take place on Monday 25th April. The choir performed one of the songs in worship yesterday and I have to say it was so beautiful it brought a tear to my eyes.

Today I signed a cheque for £975 for the charity, Feed the Hungry, this is the money raised from all of our Christmas productions. Thank you, everyone for your enormous generosity towards this very good cause.

A reminder that we have been informed by Southern Water that from 12th February for 10 working days there will be no parking in Cinque Ports Avenue because they will be repairing a sewer. This work will begin during the holidays but may well spill over into term 4. When we get more details we will share them

with you but those who usually park in Cinque Ports Avenue will probably have to make alternative arrangements. Remember the car park on the other side of the Green is free at drop off and pick up times.

Have a great weekend and keep safe



Carolyn Chivers
Headteacher

Dates for your Diary	
17th January	Planetarium in school for Y1/2 and Y5
17th January	"Warm Up" Football match for Y5//6 against Hythe Town
18th January	Mrs Short / Mrs Apps' class Worship
21st January	Mrs Trigg/ Mrs Tarchetti's class Worship
28th January	Mr Donald's class Worship
4th February	Miss Cobb's class Worship
11th February	Last day of term 3
21st February	First day of term 4
25th February	Miss Flaxton's class Worship
4th March	Mrs Wiles' class Worship
7th and 8th March	Parents Evenngs
11th March	Mr Gollop's class Worship
18th March	Mrs Whitham's class Worship
25th March	Miss West's class Worship
Week beginning 28th March	Y6 Residential
1st April	Last day of term 4
19th April	First day of term 5
25th April	New date – Young Voices Concert at the 02
2nd May	Bank Holiday – no school
May	Y2 taking KS1 SATs (National Testing)
Week beginning 9th May	Y6 taking KS2 SATS (National Testing)
27th May	End of Term 5
6th June	Start of term 6
Week beginning 6th June	Phonics check Y1 and Y2 (National Testing)
From 6th June	Multiplication Check Y4 (National Testing)
19th July	Last day of school year – Change of date additional day holiday given to schools for Queen's Platinum Jubilee