

# Naphill and Walters Ash School Newsletter January 2022

### **Key Dates**

Wednesday 9th Feb – Year 6
School Nurse
W/C 7th and 14th Feb –
Parents Consultation Meetings
Friday 18th Feb – WANSA
non uniform day fundraiser
Friday 18th Feb – Break up for
½ term
Monday 28th Feb – INSET
Day (School closed for pupils)
Tuesday 1st March – School
re-opens for pupils
Sunday 27th March – Year 6
Residential trip to Rhos Y
Gwaliau

#### **News**

Year 5 had The Planetarium in last week and enjoyed looking at the night sky. Year 3 are busy learning about the Ancient Egyptians and Year 2 are on the Great Fire of London. Year 4 are a bit more up to date and are looking at robots and Year 6 are studying physical geography – volcanoes, rivers etc. Year 1 have been on the trail of a missing penguin (see next page) and have been trying to spot him around the school. Year R were doing some great writing about one the books they have been reading and some came up with some very interesting ideas.

## Message From Miss Gwynn Holiday Club Questionnaire

Around 80 of you have expressed interest in some form of holiday club. I am now trying to contact various providers but am struggling to get any response. It is very unlikely that a 'club' would be the same as the previous one – it would most probably be sports or other 'sole theme' club and not be a club with varied activities like Quackers. There are many holiday activities for children listed on the Bucks Family Information Service. I think the cost will be higher too; e.g. one I have seen is about £200 a week or £40.00 a day. I will continue to look into external providers but there will be no holiday club at school until at least the summer holidays and even then I cannot guarantee that I will be able to find a provider. If you need holiday care I would advise looking at what else is around especially if spaces have to be pre-booked.

#### Covid

Our numbers of positive cases remain high with both pupils and staff affected. The staff here have been brilliant and helped out covering other classes, break and lunch duties. I know mask wearing rules change this week but I am advising staff in school to still wear one when moving around the building and when having face to face conversations with parents.

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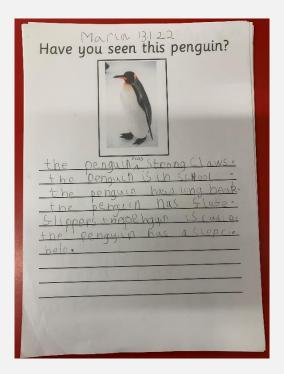


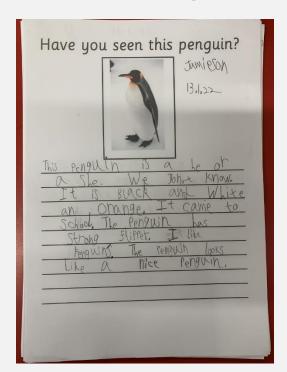






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A group of Year 6 children have planted a tree for the Queen's Platinum Jubilee. It is a sweet chestnut tree that has been given to us by Buckinghamshire Council to support the Queen's Green Canopy (QGC) and celebrate the Platinum Jubilee.

We have planted it on top of the hill near the wildflower patch and put a plaque nearby to mark its place. Hopefully in a few years if we water it and look after it, it will have grown and will maybe even bear some chestnut fruits.

