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### Newsletter 25

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Hello,

What a lovely week it's been – the sun really does help lift everyone's spirits. As the spring term draws to a close we are starting to look ahead towards the summer term. The next two insets (Friday 1<sup>st</sup> April and Monday 4<sup>th</sup> April) are all focused on developing our curriculum ready for Terms 5 and 6. We have a new batch of Inquiry Projects on the way and the teachers will be busy planning and preparing for these as well as receiving some training on teaching and learning across the full curriculum.

Whilst it is so nice to be focussing on teaching and learning, COVID is still impacting on the day-to-day running of the school. It is still very challenging to secure supply teachers in light of staff absences or to cover teachers who need to be released to carry out important leadership roles. I have to warn you that it is very likely that some classes may need to be closed, at short notice, during the next couple of weeks. This is something that we try extremely hard to avoid and we will endeavour to let parents know of any class closure as soon as we can. Fingers crossed, we'll get through the next couple of weeks but I wanted to warn you all the same.

I hope you all get to enjoy a sunny weekend.

Thank you,

Tim Browse

#### Uniform

Ahead of our pre-loved uniform sale next week, we wanted to take this opportunity to remind parents, carers and children about our school uniform expectations. We've noticed recently that standards haven't been as high as they should be and after the Easter holidays, we will expect all children to attend school in the correct uniform (or PE kit on PE days). Can we remind you that our school policy is no branded/logo clothing, i.e. jumpers, T-shirts or jogging bottoms.



#### The school uniform at Air Balloon Hill Primary School is:

- Black or grey trousers, skirt, shorts or skort.
- White polo-shirt
- Jumper or cardigan with the school logo on it.
- Ideally black or grey socks
- Predominantly black shoes or trainers

In the summer, children are permitted to wear green and white checked summer dresses

#### PE Kit:

- Plain white T-Shirt (or Green T-Shirt with the school logo on it)
- Black Shorts
- Daps or Trainers
- Black Jogging bottoms for outdoor PE only, in cold weather.

Most items of the school uniform are readily available at supermarkets and other high street stores. The uniform is simple to avoid unnecessary expense for parents, however, if anyone is struggling to purchase the correct uniform, please speak to Sarah Webb, our Family Support Worker who may be able to help.

### Pre-Loved Uniform



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We will be holding a pre-loved uniform sale on Thursday 31st March in the top playground from 3pm (weather permitting). This is an opportunity to buy a range of uniform items from 50p.

We also have a second-hand uniform ordering system where you can order jumpers or cardigans throughout the year. Order forms are available from the school office or main foyer.

If you have any items of used uniform to donate to our forthcoming sale, please hand donations into the school office by **Monday 28th March**.

### Raising money for Ukraine

Ana in Polaris wanted to do something to raise money for Ukraine, so with the help of Leon, Olivia, Aiden, Dot and Edie, they spent the day baking, decorating and selling biscuits. They worked really hard and raised over £150. Well done to you all for raising money for a great cause.



### FAB News

#### Bag2School - Change of Date

The Bag2School date has been changed from Friday 8th April to **Thursday 7th April**. Bags have already been sent home, but they will also accept donations in any carrier or black bags. The donation point on **Thursday 7th April** will be under the shelter in the top playground. Reminder that Bags2School don't accept school uniform, but you can donate uniform items to the school office for the Pre-Loved Uniform Sale on 31st March.



### Up-to-date contact details

Please make sure to keep us updated with any changes to your contact details. It really is essential that we are able to contact you if we need to. This is especially important if we need to close a class at short notice.



**Reminder!**

School is closed on Friday 1st and Monday 4th April for Inset days and we finish for the Easter holidays on Friday 8th April.

School returns on Monday 25th April.