

11<sup>th</sup> March 2022

Dear Families,

I hope that you are all well.

I wrote in last Friday's letter that it had been a week of mixed emotions, with the start of Spring (and everything it signifies), coupled with the images and stories coming out of Ukraine. Sadly, this week is no different, and we will continue to try and play our part in supporting Unicef Ukraine in their efforts to provide an emergency response to children and families affected by the conflict. Further to last week's huge effort, we have raised another £620 this week, making a total of £1,820 in just a fortnight. Thank you to everyone who has contributed to this incredibly worthy cause.

As promised, we will continue to keep you fully informed of COVID cases on a weekly basis and we have received confirmation of ten positive cases this week (six members of staff and four pupils). One class at SPC had more than one case, meaning they are considered to be an "outbreak class". This is a little higher than the past couple of weeks but significantly down from the peak in January and we are still looking forward to extending opportunities for the whole school community in the weeks and months ahead. As ever though, we are never complacent and remain on guard to respond to any changing circumstances should this be necessary.

As you will be aware, we have been working closely with colleagues from Oakfield Surgery to offer vaccinations at Riverside School for all pupils aged 5-11, whose families provide consent. Today is the final day to register your consent and if you would like to do this and have yet to do so, please [CLICK HERE](#) by the end of the day. Once you have done this, the NHS Vaccination Team from Oakfield Surgery will contact you to discuss the details of the vaccination and in the meantime, please feel free to call Oakfield Surgery on 020 8776 6514 if you have any questions.

And finally for today, I would like to inform you that we received two nominations for the two parent governor vacancies and as a result, a ballot was not required. Congratulations to George Christian (current Chair of Governors) and Emmanuel Arbenser, who have therefore been appointed as Parent Governors with immediate effect.

I hope you have a good weekend and with very best wishes,



Steve Solomons  
Headteacher