

## **FS, Y1 AND ALL OF Y6 ARE BACK!**

Three year groups returned to school on Monday and so far things are going well! The new pick up and drop off arrangements are running smoothly and all the returned children seem to be enjoying being back in school. If parents have any comments or suggestions about the return arrangements, these are always welcome!

In the past two weeks, we have been interviewed twice on the BBC Radio 4 Today programme, regarding the return to school arrangements. If you would like to hear these interviews, which feature KS2 pupils Sam & Isadora and KS1 pupils Gwyn and Rafe, please see the links on the first page of the school website.

Huge thanks this week go out to Sue Penford, for keeping us supplied with ready meals for staff – we are very grateful, especially as most staff are putting in additional hours and taking shortened meal breaks at the moment.

Thanks also to the Tring Road branch of Tesco, who not only allowed us to make a bulk purchase of Dettol, but also gave us an unexpected and generous discount on the price!

## **MORE GOOD NEWS STORIES!**

Congratulations to Mr & Mrs Deppe on the birth of their daughter, Aubrey Harlow Deppe (6lb, 4.5 oz) born on 27<sup>th</sup> May. As you can see, she is gorgeous!



One of our Year 4 children was set the challenge of running a marathon in seven days. He actually completed 26.4 miles in six days, rather than seven, in a time of 4 hours 9 minutes and raised £550 for the FOP Friends charity. He has a medal (and a home lockdown haircut, says his Mum!).



<https://www.godaddy.com/raising.co.uk> when you order online to earn funds for our school!

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## PEDESTRIAN SKILLS

Over the past few months, we have probably enjoyed walking, cycling and scootering more than previously. Hopefully, several of us will be able to continue to do this for either or both the journey to or from school. As children begin to return to school and make plans for more independent travel to secondary school, it is a good opportunity to continue talking with them and practising pedestrian skills. Usually a group of trained volunteers run the Footsteps programme with Year 1 children to start this in school but this cannot happen this year. Also the Bikeability and scooter training are unlikely to run this term. So, on your school journey and/or at weekends please consider taking time with your child to watch the traffic, discussing:

- Judging when it would be safe to cross, by listening to and seeing the speed of the car. Young children find this difficult and teenagers are impulsive!
- Considering safer crossing places, especially where cars are parked.
- Awareness when crossing house driveways, especially as the driver may have limited visibility.
- Pedestrian courtesy when on a scooter...and with social distancing.
- Practise your biking skills in the park- with cycle helmet on.

Helen Smith

School Travel Plan Group

## PTA 100 CLUB

100 Club winners

The results for March, April and May 2020 are:

1<sup>st</sup> Prize Helen Twomey, Anna Bernstein & Louisa Stockley = £25

2<sup>nd</sup> Prize Hayley Batson, Laura Frost & Natalie Gleadow = £13

3<sup>rd</sup> Prize Ryan Kerstein, Winfred Keaney and Clare Brock = £8

**Due to COVID-19 we have asked the children to pick these lottery balls at home (after a thorough shake of course)!**

We raised £138 pounds for the PTA running these draws. Congratulations to the lucky winners!

**Please note we will do another three draws for June/July/August before the end of the school term and all prize money will be given out in September at the start of the next academic school year.**

Many thanks,

The PTA 100 committee

## RAINBOW, MADE DURING LOCKDOWN BY KIAN IN FOUNDATION STAGE

