

# Family Update

11th February 2022



## Updates

Hi everyone, we hope you have had a lovely week. As well as focusing on **Children's Mental Health Week** with this year's theme 'Growing Together', our Explorers have been busy balancing on assault course poles in forest school; learning to brush their teeth as they role playing Dentists; Investigators and Adventurers have been learning how to be a 'good friend' and how to share with friends and Towards Independence have been running their Palentines (for pals!) Pop-Up Shop and their café enterprise.

This week we have run the **wheelchair clinic workshop**. If your child's wheelchair needs attention, please contact the school office to be put onto next month's list.

We understand that with the possible end to Covid restrictions in sight, some families may be particularly anxious about the increased risk to their vulnerable child. Today we have hosted the School Age Immunisation Team giving **Covid vaccinations** to the 12-15yr olds. The Covid vaccine roll-out for clinically vulnerable 5-11yr olds has not yet begun in Staffordshire but I am aware that some families keen to obtain the vaccine for their child have travelled across to other authorities to receive this.

We'll leave you today by wishing you a **good mental health weekend**, be kind to yourselves!

From Your Leadership Team :)

## Photos from the Week



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## Children's Mental Health Week

This week has been Children's Mental Health Week and this year's theme is Growing Together. We have been encouraging children (and adults) to consider how they have grown and how they can help others to grow.

Classes have been undertaking a range of learning and activities linking to this, from stars showing what we can do now that couldn't do before to helping film characters overcome problems to Laughter Yoga. We have also been making extra time to focus of the things we enjoy and learning how this can help our mental health.



### Parents Recommend

We are looking to trial a new section of the Family Update Newsletter, where parents can share or recommend activities, places, groups or websites etc. that would benefit our pupils.

If you have anything you would like to share, please email it to:

[emily.thompson@saxonhill.shaw-education.org.uk](mailto:emily.thompson@saxonhill.shaw-education.org.uk)

We will then aim to include these in future newsletters to help share all your expert knowledge.



### Message from HWSAs

If you have any queries or changes to Gastrostomy feeds, please email changes to:

[office@saxonhill.shaw-education.org.uk](mailto:office@saxonhill.shaw-education.org.uk)

### Key Dates

14th February—Mid-year reports sent live to parents

16th February—Parents evening

21st—25th February—Half-Term

1st March—Virtual Transition Event for pupils in Year 9 upwards

3rd March—World Book Day

7th March—Adventurers Learning Conference Week

14th March—British Science Week

18th March—Red Nose Day

