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# Coaley Church of England Academy

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Dear Parents and Carers,

I hope you have all had a peaceful week and are looking forward to a slightly warmer weekend where we could hit the highs of temperature in double-digits!

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Once again, we've had a lovely week with all the children back in school although I think some are feeling a little more tired than usual as we finish the second week back in school. The sun has been out and kept us a bit warmer with PE and Forest Schools. Coaley really comes into its own in the lovely warm weather.

Although it sometimes feels like COVID is quickly going away, can I continue to remind you all to continue to be extra vigilant, especially if your child, or anyone in your family, has any symptoms, such as a continuous cough or high temperature. If your child, or anyone in your family at home, has any of these symptoms, please do not come into school. The advice is to self-isolate and to test anyone with symptoms or the whole household to check for asymptomatic cases. We have Lateral Flow test kits in school to support you if you haven't ordered any for yourself, and these give an accurate reading within 30 minutes. All the staff in school take a test twice a week and then report this to NHS Track and Trace so we can keep a close eye on infection rates and act swiftly. It's still important to keep ourselves safe and maintain good personal safety measures until we are given the all clear, which hopefully won't be long now.

I know there are pictures later in the newsletter but I wanted to say a special congratulation to Rosa for running a half marathon!! I think it's an amazing achievement and just goes to demonstrate the power of perseverance and her ability to keep on going, even when things get tough. We're all very proud!

Richard Lucas **Executive Headteacher** 

### Share a smile









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#### **Families Gloucestershire Magazine**

Please follow the link for some exciting Easter activity ideas.

Families Gloucestershire Magazine Mar/Apr 2021

#### What an achievement!

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Rosa took on the Dursley Running Club Half Marathon challenge. People were encouraged to cover the 13.1 miles over March in chunks or in one go. Rosa decided she needed 4 runs to complete the challenge and so over two weeks did three 5k's and her longest ever run of 6.3k to finish the half. Along with her family, we are all super proud of Rosa. She's worked really hard at her fitness and has worked up to regularly running with her Mum. Keep it up Rosa, you're a star!

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## Stranger Danger – Advice from our local Schoolbeat Officer

As all children return to school and lockdown begins to ease, we ask that all parents discuss with their children "Stranger Danger". In terms of keeping your children safe the general message is; if they can, walk with one other person if they are walking home. Ensure they remain in well-lit and busier areas. Avoid taking short cuts through quieter roads or paths. When walking, try to avoid having mobile phones out on view for others to see they have potentially expensive phones. Be aware of surroundings. Walking with headphones in shows people that they have a phone and that they may have expensive earphones e.g. Airpods and Beats. They will less likely be able to hear if they have someone approaching or following. If a child feels someone is following them do not engage with the person following but go to an area where there are more people if possible e.g. shop, business and ask for help. If they are approached and feel in immediate danger phone 999. We also have the message Yell (scream out for help), Run (to a place of safety), Tell (tell someone straight away).

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**Proud Cloud Certificates:** 

Robins: Elise

Starlings: Anna-Mae

Owls: Lucas R, Jamie

Values Certificates:

Robins: Dakota

Starlings: Jasmine

Owls: Oscar

#### **Growth Mindset Certificates:**

**Robins:** Leo for using resources and taking his time to complete his subtraction questions.

Starlings: Lewis for trying his hardest all week.

Owls: Phoebe for having a determined and hard-working attitude towards all her work.

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