

## Health and Safety Inspection

The Government have been asking the Health and Safety Executive to visit schools in order to evaluate the effectiveness with which schools have responded to Covid 19. This includes the systems schools have put in place to ensure that they are as safe as possible. At Frank Wise we were visited at the start of November and we are pleased to say that the inspector was exceptionally impressed with the systems and processes, and the way in which the staff put them into action. Unlike OfSTED, these visits do not result in formal feedback, however our Local Authority Health and Safety Officer, who also attended the visit sent us the following which we thought we would share with you:

*“Many thanks to all those involved in getting the site ready for the HSE visit. I have never heard an inspector using such terms as **inspirational** before, I felt very proud just sitting on the side-lines. This is a group effort and every one of you made this visit pass with glowing reports, thank you so much for all your effort, time and patience during these very difficult times”*

## Christmas Film Countdown Clips

As we are unable to undertake our usual Christmas productions this year, we have been working on putting together a short online alternative that will celebrate the children and the Christmas season. Therefore, each school day from the 2nd of December, a different teaser film clip will be uploaded to the school website, with the grand finale being uploaded on the last day of term. You will be able to find them here - <https://frankwise.oxon.sch.uk/gallery/>

## Sending things in from home

As we get closer to the start of the Christmas season, we just wanted to draw attention to the fact that we are still trying to minimise things coming in to school that are not essential for the children's education or the operation of the school. However, if you wish to send in items related to Christmas for classes or other pupils in your child's class, can you please make sure that they are things that we can clean with antibacterial wipes.

## Extra INSET Day

One of the consequences of the Covid 19 pandemic is that we are not able to train all of our staff in the way that we have done previously, due to the need to reduce people mixing and where people are working together, keeping an appropriate social distance. As such we have had to request an additional INSET Day from the Local Authority which has been granted and will mean that school will be closed on **Friday 12th February** for essential training.

## Parents Evening

Parents evening will be taking place via Zoom or telephone call this term on the 7th and 8th of December. We will be in touch shortly with arrangements for booking time slots and to find out what approach you would prefer.

## Family Survey

Finally, we would like to say thank you for the clear message of support that we got from the survey we asked you to complete regarding how the school has operated during the past few months. Whilst there are always things we can improve further, it was clear from the feedback that the vast majority of you were very satisfied with the way in which things were managed.