



Out in the Community

It has been lovely to see classes making use of the community to support the delivery of the curriculum, and to enable the pupils to become familiar once again with travelling beyond the school site. For a school which places such importance on its visibility within the community, and the application of learning beyond the classroom, the disruption to this by COVID has been particularly noticeable. Groups have been visiting parks and local places of worship, as well as shops and take away food outlets.



Volunteering

Across the school a number of pupils have been working on projects about how to give back to the community, and have been out litter picking, writing to the residents of Adult Care homes and gardening. Given

how supportive the wider community of Banbury is of the school, it has been wonderful to see the pupils and staff giving something back.



Swimming

The pupils have been back in the pool over the course of this half term and have taken to it like ducks to water! It is brilliant seeing them enjoying being in the water and developing their skills once again, after so much disruption over the course of the past year.

COVID-19 update

As mentioned previously, we will be continuing to maintain all of our COVID related arrangements until the end of the year. However, we are hoping that, come September, there may be some more positive changes. Any relaxation of the existing

systems of control will be entirely dependent upon the situation at the time, and the advice we receive from the Department for Education. As with last year, we will be in touch towards the end of the Summer Holiday with an outline of what to expect, so that both you and your children will know what will be in place on their return. I know we say this a lot, but once again thank you all for all of your support during what has been the most extraordinary of times. Fingers crossed that a return to greater normality will be with us sooner rather than later.