



## Notes from our Virtual Coffee Morning February 2023



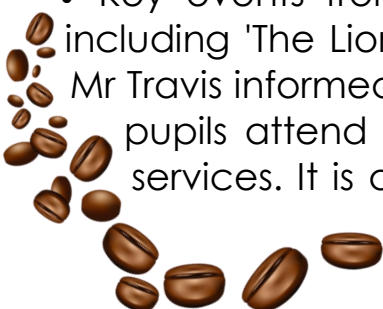
- The Headteacher gave an update on the teacher strikes. He shared DFE data from the teachers' strike on 1<sup>st</sup> February with 52.4% of Primary schools remaining open, 38.6% were partially open and 9% closed. In secondary schools, 17.4% were fully open, 73.6% were partially open and 9% closed. In special schools, 28.8% were open, 57.7 were partially open and 13.5% closed.

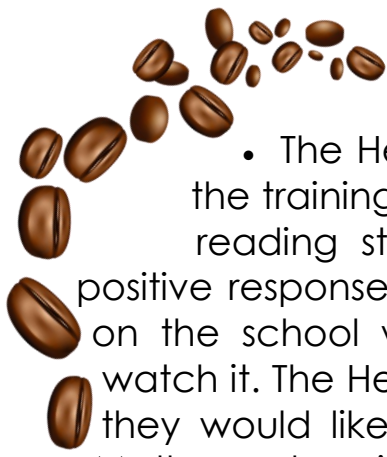
- Mr Travis confirmed that the school will be fully open on the next strike date on the 2<sup>nd</sup> March. He also told parents and carers that he intends to keep the school open for the remaining strike dates but will confirm later in the term. He also shared with parents how professional and helpful the teachers have been by informing him as to whether they will strike, which is something they do not have to do. A Parent acknowledged this and thanked the teachers. Mr Travis said he would pass this on. Regretfully, he told parents and carers that Year 8 parents evening will now be postponed on Thursday 2<sup>nd</sup> March and rearranged for a date later in the academic year.



- Parent survey results and feedback from the new reporting system was shared. Mr Travis went through the survey results, thanked parents and informed them that the school will be continuing with this new format.

- Key events from this half-term were shared by the Headteacher, including 'The Lion King' theatre visit, IAP day and Impact Factor day. Mr Travis informed parents and carers that Impact Factor day is where pupils attend workshops delivered by the emergency and public services. It is an established day on the Glebe calendar and as in previous years, the pupils learnt so much from it.





- The Headteacher thanked parents and carers for attending the training and webinars this term. He shared feedback from the reading strategies workshop for parents that showed a 100% positive response. He also let parents know that the Esafety webinar is on the school website under news&events should parents want to watch it. The Headteacher asked parents and carers for other training they would like and parents expressed that they would like to see Maths and revision workshops for parents. Mr Travis said he would arrange for these to be delivered later this term.

- Mr Travis shared with parents that out of school engagement with learning is improving. He stated that pupils are regularly accessing Bedrock Learning and that the creative writing competition had entries from Years 8 to 11. It was also shared that the school has just won an award for being the most engaged school in language learning through Duolingo. Mr Travis said to parents that this clearly demonstrates that language learning is for everyone. He went on to thank parents for their support with learning at home, saying it improves relationships, behaviour and progress in school when we work together so closely. A parent asked whether passwords for learning apps could be shared for his child. Mr Travis said he will ask the form tutor to make contact.



- Parent Pay. Mr Travis said that this is not just for paying for school meals and it is also used for gaining consent for things. He acknowledged that the confusion is in the name but urged parents to sign up to it.

- The PTA gave an update on upcoming events. Dates will be set in March for a book swap and a wish day where pupils buy a present ( under £3) and it will be gift wrapped to take home to parents/carers. The PTA and Headteacher thanked parents for their donations to the school so that this event it able to go ahead. Finally, Mr Travis shared that over £40 has been raised from the sale of Valentines Cards this week for the PTA.

**Next Meeting:  
To Be Confirmed**

