

# Newsletter



Newsletter 14

25<sup>th</sup> March 2022

Dear Parents and Carers,

It hardly seems possible that we only have one week of term left, before we break up for the Easter holidays. We have all been delighted with the children's hard work and many achievements this term, and hope that you enjoy a well-deserved break with them. The Summer Term starts on Tuesday 19<sup>th</sup> April. I have included the term dates for 2022 – 2023 and 2023 – 2024 at the foot of the newsletter to help with planning holidays ahead.



**Good luck!**

Good luck to Hazel and Elvis in Year 6 who are representing Hertfordshire in the National Cross Country Running championships in Leicester this weekend. I am sure they will enjoy this amazing opportunity!



**Trainers for PE**

As we will be outside for most PE lessons in the Summer Term, Mel has asked that children have a pair of trainers in their PE bags please.



**Magical Unicorn Book Stall**

Codicote's own Magical Unicorn Bookstall will be celebrating its two year anniversary on Friday 1<sup>st</sup> April by holding a unicorn day! The fantastic book stall is located by the Peace Memorial Hall – everyone is invited to visit and enjoy seeing wonderful variety of unicorns!



**Can you help?**

Through contacts in the Association of Ukrainians in Great Britain, we have established links with the Oriana Orphanage, in Boryslaw, Ukraine, which looks after children aged of 4 to 18. We would very much like to provide the children with some treats at Easter. Each class will be putting together shoeboxes for individual children – we have their names, genders and ages so that we can make sure that the items are suitable. Class teachers will be letting the children know the details, and if you would like to provide any items, they will be gratefully received.

In addition, we are aware of some essential supplies which are needed. If you would like to help, these can be brought into school by Thursday 31<sup>st</sup> March, and will be transported directly to the orphanage. Again, we really appreciate anything you are able to help with.

Things needed include:

<p><b><u>Medical</u></b>            Bandages / Plasters            Savlon / Anti-septic cream            Anti-septic wipes            Calpol / Paracetamol            Cough medicine            Cold &amp; Flu treatment            Multi-vitamins            Vicks vapour rub            Wet wipes</p> <p><b><u>Cleaning Supplies</u></b>            Toilet cleaners and brushes            Antibacterial Cleaner            Washing Powder            Washing up Liquid            Cleaning Sponges / Cloths</p>	<p><b><u>Toiletries</u></b>            Toothpaste            Shower Gel            Bars of Soap            Sanitary Towels / Tampons            Tissues            Deodorant            Shampoo / Hair Conditioner            Sponges / Flannels</p> <p><b><u>Clothes / Toys</u></b>            Vests / Pants Boys and Girls (new only)            Tights / Socks (new only)            Colouring books and pens            Small Toys / Outdoor Games</p>	<p><b><u>Food</u></b>            Rice            Pasta            Flour            Cereals            Cooking oil            Lentils/Dry beans and peas/Chickpeas            Dry yeast            Tomato puree            Chopped tomatoes / Tinned vegetables            Hot chocolate / Ovaltine            Long life milk            Chocolates            Biscuits</p>
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### PTFA reminders



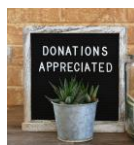
#### Children's Disco – Thursday 31<sup>st</sup> March 5.30 – 7.00 p.m.

Our ever-popular school disco returns next week. You can pay online (£3.00) via School Gateway. Refreshments will be available to purchase on the night so children may wish to bring a little money with them.



#### Coin Collection

We will be collecting coppers and any loose change in each classroom from 19<sup>th</sup> April, so if you have any cluttering up the house, car, sofa or your pockets, we would love to have them! The class who raises the most money (total divided by the number of children in the class) will be the winners!



#### Amazon donations to Codicote School

If you shop at Amazon, please consider setting your Amazon account for donations to Codicote School. This does not cost you any money, but every time you make a purchase through *Smile.Amazon*, the PTFA receives a donation. It is very easy to set up – instructions are

included below. Every penny raised by the PTFA is spent on 'extras' for the children, such as outdoor play equipment, contributions towards school trips and other items which enhance the learning of the children. Thank you for your support!



### **Reduce, Reuse and Re-cycle**

We were delighted to welcome a visitor from Herts County Council, Moika, who led an assembly and workshops on the theme of reducing, re-using and re-cycling. She was extremely impressed with how knowledgeable all of the children were about environmental issues – even the youngest children were answering her questions. The workshops were very entertaining as well as educational. As part of our work towards our next green flag, we will be continuing to work on these topics throughout the school.



### **Trips out**

The children enjoyed two trips out last week. Year 1 went to the RAF Museum in Hendon, and Year 5 went to St. Albans Cathedral. We were delighted with their behaviour and the way they represented our school – parents and carers can feel very proud of them! Next week, Year 2 are heading off to Woburn Safari Park! Thank you for supporting these trips so that they are able to go ahead – the children really benefit from the first hand experiences.



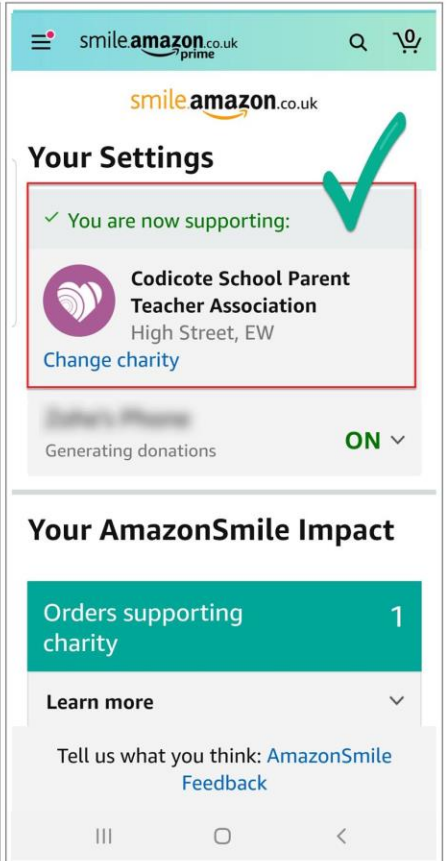
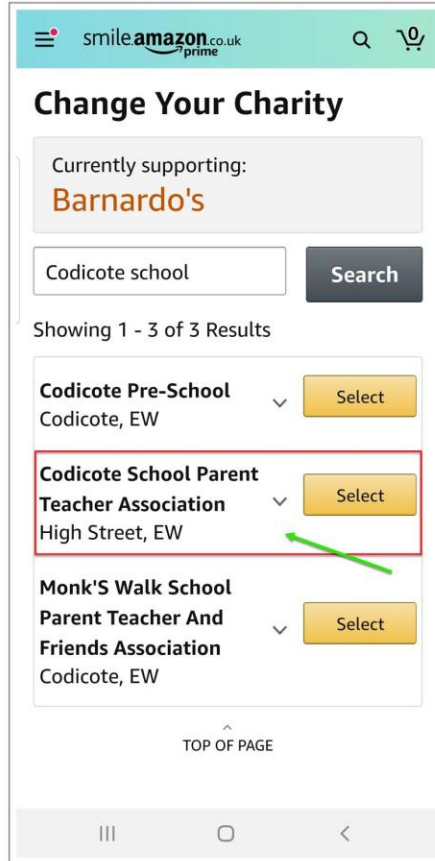
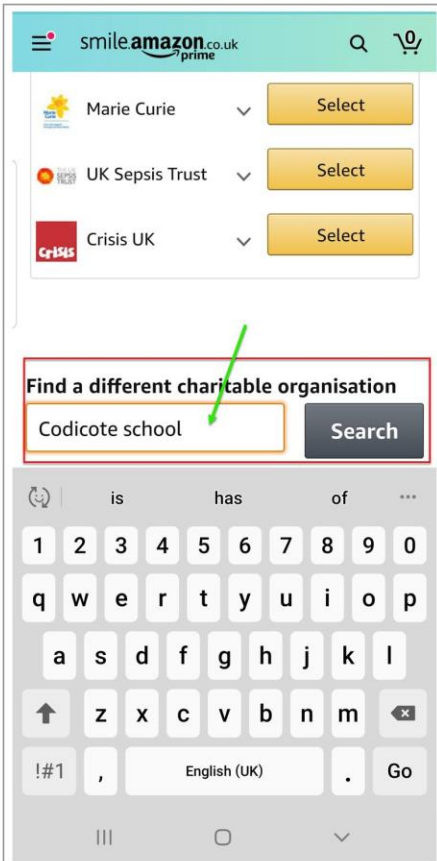
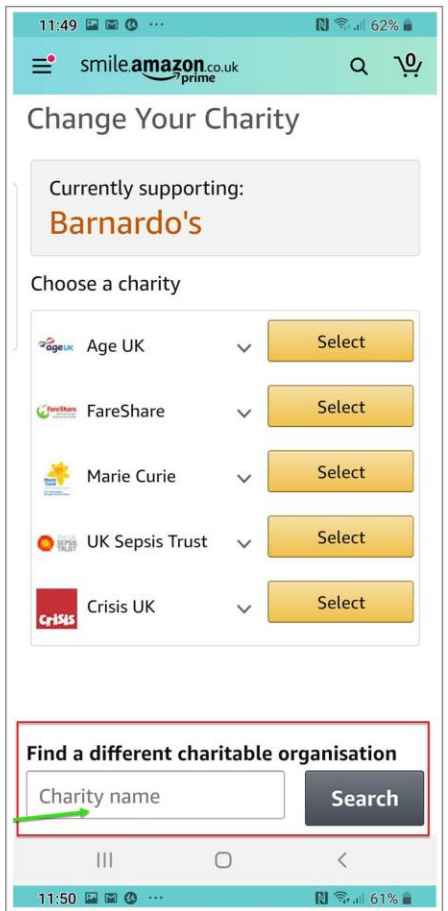
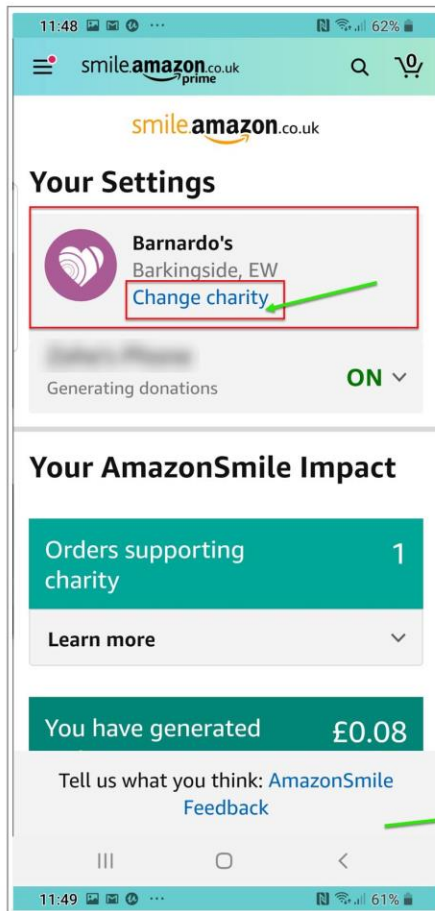
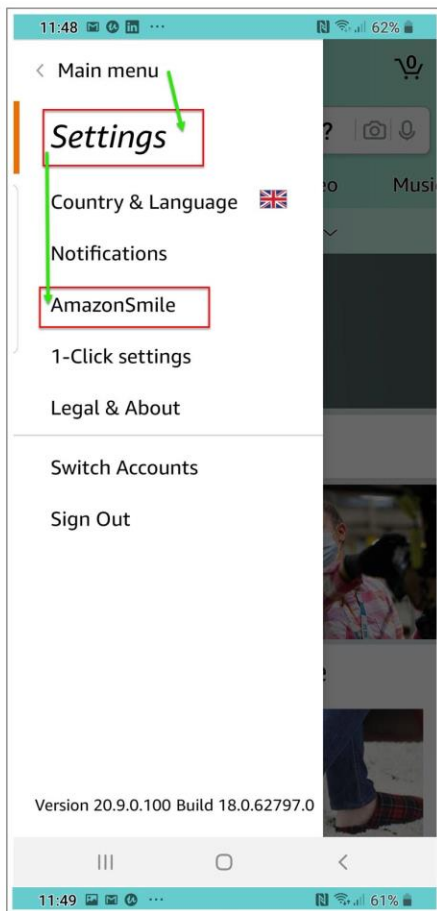
### **School Expansion**

The builders for our school expansion have now been appointed and we are looking forward to working with Coulsons, who have extensive experience in working with the education sector. After the Easter holidays, I will be able to share further details with you, regarding the expected timescale, and when different phases of the expansion will be taking place.

Thank you for reading this newsletter. Please remember I am always happy to discuss any issues with you.

Liz Pollard  
HEADTEACHER

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## Term Dates

<u>2022 - 2023</u>	<u>2023 - 2024</u>
<p><b><u>AUTUMN TERM 2022</u></b>            Thursday 1<sup>st</sup> September 2022 – Wednesday 21<sup>st</sup> December 2022            (Half term – Monday 24<sup>th</sup> October – Friday 28<sup>th</sup> October)  <b>Inset Days: Thursday 1<sup>st</sup> September            Friday 2<sup>nd</sup> September</b></p> <p><b>Occasional Day: Friday 25<sup>th</sup> November</b></p>	<p><b><u>AUTUMN TERM 2023</u></b>            Friday 1<sup>st</sup> September 2023 – Wednesday 20<sup>th</sup> December 2023            (Half term – Monday 23<sup>rd</sup> October – Friday 27<sup>th</sup> October)  <b>Inset Days: Friday 1<sup>st</sup> September            Monday 4<sup>th</sup> September</b></p> <p><b>Occasional Day: Friday 24<sup>th</sup> November</b></p>
<p><b><u>SPRING TERM 2023</u></b>            Thursday 5<sup>th</sup> January 2023 – Friday 31<sup>st</sup> March 2023            (Half term Monday 13<sup>th</sup> February – Friday 17<sup>th</sup> February)  <b>Inset Days: Thursday 5<sup>th</sup> January            Friday 6<sup>th</sup> January</b></p>	<p><b><u>SPRING TERM 2024</u></b>            Thursday 4<sup>th</sup> January 2024 – Thursday 28<sup>th</sup> March 2024            (Half term Monday 19<sup>th</sup> February – Friday 23<sup>rd</sup> February)  <b>Inset Days: Thursday 4<sup>th</sup> January            Friday 5<sup>th</sup> January</b></p>
<p><b><u>SUMMER TERM 2023</u></b>            Monday 17<sup>th</sup> April 2023 – Friday 21<sup>st</sup> July 2023            (Half term Monday 29<sup>th</sup> May – Friday 2<sup>nd</sup> June)            May Bank Holiday: Monday 1<sup>st</sup> May  <b>Inset Day: Friday 9<sup>th</sup> June</b></p> <p>The above dates equate to 190 school days</p>	<p><b><u>SUMMER TERM 2024</u></b>            Monday 15<sup>th</sup> April 2024 – Tuesday 23<sup>rd</sup> July 2024            (Half term Monday 27<sup>th</sup> May – Friday 31<sup>st</sup> May)            May Bank Holiday: Monday 6<sup>th</sup> May  <b>Inset Day: Friday 7<sup>th</sup> June</b></p> <p>The above dates equate to 190 school days</p>