



Chaddlewood Primary School

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Dear Parents and Carers,

How fast this half-term has gone!! Please see below details of upcoming events and information and may I wish you a lovely half-term holiday.

Friends of Chaddlewood: Below in the diary table are details of upcoming events lead by the Friends of Chaddlewood and the school. Having successfully raised the funds to pay for our playground Smooga our new challenge is to provide new dining room tables for the KS2 hall. The present set up makes it hard for children to move around the hall during lunchtime and means they have to stack chairs. The system below is a much better use of space, more convenient for the children and doesn't require the lifting and carrying of very heavy tables! The total cost for the project is £8,500, so quite an undertaking but I know we can do it :-)



In addition a huge thank you to Sandra Bartlett who secured for us £1000 of match funding through HSBC, who she works for. **Thank you Sandra and thank you HSBC. We are already closer to getting our new tables!**

Term dates: We have had a number of incidents where parents have found term dates on the internet that are not the dates adopted by the school. If you go to the school website at <https://chaddlewoodprimary.eschools.co.uk> and click on the 'About us' tab, our school term dates are the third heading down. You'll find the dates for the 2018-19 academic year there as well.

Election Day Closure :We have been informed that the school will be used as a polling station for local elections on **Thursday 3rd May** so please put this date in your diary as the children will not be in school on this day.

SAFEGUARDING

Operation Encompass: *The school are taking part in a project that will run jointly between schools and Devon and Cornwall Police*

Operation Encompass is the reporting to schools, prior to the start of the next school day, when a child or young person has exposed to, or involved in, any domestic incident. The project will ensure that a member of the school staff, known as a Key Adult, is trained to allow them to liaise with the police and to use the information that has been shared, in confidence, while ensuring that the school is able to make provision for possible difficulties experienced by children, or their families, who have been involved in, or exposed to, a domestic abuse incident.

We are keen to offer the best support possible to all our pupils and we believe this will be extremely beneficial for all those involved.

Attendance: *Our attendance percentage for the whole school is currently 95.6%. Our school target is 97%. As ever please support us in achieving this target by keeping unauthorised absences to a minimum. Poor attendance has a significant effect on children's progress.*

Roblox: *We have been made aware that this app allows users to make direct contact with children. If your child has access to this app please be aware of this.*

Parking: Unfortunately we continue to have an issue with people parking on pavements around the school and on the yellow no parking zig-zag lines outside the school gate. The local PSCO's will be making unannounced visits over the coming weeks to remind drivers how dangerous this is. PLEASE don't park in this way.

The Field Gun Challenge: Some of you may be aware that Primary aged children are able to compete in a Field Gun Race each year using a wooden field gun. As Chaddlewood has such a close connection with the Services we are keen to get involved but we need your help! We need volunteers to help run the club. It will be on a Monday after school and the children who participate will be entered in for the Field Gun race in the Summer Term. Without helpers I'm afraid we will be unable to run the club.

Please contact Mrs Harley 2HH if you are available and enthusiastic, no experience necessary!

Mornings: To ensure children are in their classes on time in the mornings we have decided to blow a whistle at 8.50am each morning to indicate that children need to come off the large play equipment. This way they will be ready when the bell rings at 8.55am. We'd value your support in ensuring your children do leave the equipment on the sound of the whistle.

Plympton Hub: Please see the attached information for upcoming events.

French Language Club. Kidslingo: We have been asked to accommodate a french language club after school as there has been a lot of interest shared with Becky Maclean at Kidslingo. We are therefore offering the use of a room to the club on a Monday from 3.30-4pm. The club supports the teaching of French through play and songs and can be booked at kidslingo.co.uk. Becky can also be reached at beckym@kidslingo.co.uk, if you would like more information. The club is booked half-termly and charges £4.24 per session and £3 for siblings. The club will be run and be managed by Kidslingo and children will be collected from Reception at 4pm.

Reporting absence and late arrival: If your child is absent from school, please can you telephone reception by 9:30am to report the reason for their absence.

If children are late they must be brought to Reception by an adult and signed in. They are not allowed to come in on their own. You will also need to ensure you tell Reception your child's lunch option as the lunch order forms will have closed for late arrivals.

Trips: With the budget restraints on schools and parents we are constantly reviewing the trips we book and looking for value for money. They are a wonderful enrichment activity for children and we want to continue to offer them but school trips must be self-funding as we have no capacity to cover the cost of under payment. Please ensure that if your child is going on a trip that payment is made by the date stated but do please contact us if there is an issue with this and we will try and help. If payments do not cover the cost of trips we will continue to cancel them as appropriate.

Foundation Unit: It is nearly finished and I hope you agree that it looks amazing!

We are hoping to begin using it two weeks after half-term, when the site has been cleared and all the fixtures are complete. Our next project is to replace the existing canopy that is presently outside FJN and to make the Foundation playground area larger.

Premiersport: Premiersport will be offering a half-term holiday club at school on the 15th and 16th February. Please book on their website if you would like your child to attend. There are also still places on our weekly gymnastic and football clubs.
<http://sport.premier-education.com/>

Finally, please continue to contact us with any concerns, compliments or questions as they occur and I look forward to seeing you all at the upcoming events and on the playground,

Kind Regards



Sarah King

Diary:

Thursday 8th February. 5-6.00pm KS1 6.15-7.30pm KS2	Valentine Disco
Friday 9th February	Mufti day with £1 contribution towards 'Friends' fundraising for dining hall tables
Thursday 1st March	World Book Day Character costume day: The theme for these will be decided by year groups and more information will follow. Also, please bring in a pre-loved book that you could donate to school. After school book party: Details to follow
Thursday 1st March	Friends meeting at school 5pm. Please come along and share your ideas :-)
Friday 9th March	Mother's Day lunch for Foundation mums 11.45am-12.30pm PM: Mother's Day gift sale at school by 'Friends'. Details to follow
Wednesday 14th March	Parent's Evening
Monday 19th March	Parent's Evening
Thursday 22nd March 5-6.00pm KS1 6.15-7.30pm KS2	Easter disco
Friday 23rd March	Easter Film Night: HOP (open to all year groups)
Wednesday 28th March: Evening	Performance of Wind in the Willows by the drama club. More details to follow
Thursday 29th March: Last day of term	Bring an Easter egg mufti day, Easter egg raffle and Easter egg hunt
Children return to school on Tuesday 17th April 2018	
Thursday 26th April	Disco
Friday 27th April	Class photos

Term dates: These are the dates that the children are in school.

Autumn Term	Spring term	Summer Term
5th September - 19th December 2017	4th January - 29th March 2018	17th April - 20th July 2018
Half term: 23rd - 27th October 2017	Half term: 12th -16th February 2018	Half term: 28th May - 1st June 2018
Bank Holidays:	Bank Holiday: 30th March 2018	Bank Holiday: 7th May 2018