

# Chilton Community Primary School Newsletter

February 2020

*Dear Parents & Carers,*

*It's been a busy time at school with the academy project progressing well. Thanks to those of you that responded to the consultation and I hope those of you that had concerns will see in time that the links we make through the academy will help us further improve the quality of teaching and opportunities your children have at Chilton. We look forward to sharing your child's progress with you at the parents evening on Thursday. B. Hemmings*

## **Safeguarding**

We have been learning to use the internet safely this term. Lots of children have said that they use TikTok and Instagram at home: the minimum age for these Apps is 13. Please see the links for whether these may be suitable for your children and guidance on how to make their use safer.

<https://www.internetmatters.org/hub/esafety-news/tik-tok-app-safety-what-parents-need-to-know/>

<https://www.internetmatters.org/resources/instagram-safety-a-how-to-guide-for-parents/>

## **SENCo Drop In**

Parents are invited to attend a SENCo drop in to meet and discuss any concerns that you may have already raised with your child's class teacher. The session will be held on Friday 14th February from 2:00-3:00 and will be a chance for parents to have an informal chat with our SENCo's Mr Hemmings and Mrs Carr.

## **One Life Suffolk Silver Award**

OneLife Suffolk is the Healthy Lifestyle service delivering free programmes in school. They have been working with our current year 4 pupils for the past year delivering sessions promoting healthy eating and the importance of exercise. As a result we have been awarded a silver health and wellbeing excellence award.

Madi Wright, from OneLife Suffolk presented the award in assembly and said 'The school has worked amazingly to achieve the silver health and wellbeing excellence award and we hope to work closely together to achieve a gold award.'

OneLife also host free Family Health walks. Please see details attached regarding their local walk during half term.

## **Parenting Courses**

Suffolk County Council offers a range of tried-and-tested programmes and workshops for mothers, fathers and carers of children and young people from 0-19. They bring together experienced workers and parents in a friendly atmosphere to discuss issues related to bringing up children, to share concerns and to access practical advice. Parents are very welcome to self-refer to all Suffolk County Council programmes and workshops (except for Car-ing Dads which is referral-only). Please go to <https://earlyhelpportal.suffolk.gov.uk/web/portal/pages/parref#h2> to self refer.

## Plant to Plate

We are collecting the Plant to Plate tokens from the East Anglian Daily Times. Every school that collects at least 1000 tokens will receive gardening equipment and the top 3 schools with the highest amount of tokens will receive £1000 worth of gardening equipment. If you or any other family members read the East Anglian, please look out for the tokens and save them for us. Tokens will be printed until 27th March. Please post your tokens in the collection box in Reception at school.

## World Book Day

We will be celebrating World Book Day at Chilton on Friday 6th March. Pupils may come to school dressed as their favourite book character. There will be reading activities throughout the day. Every child will receive a £1 book token which they can use to get a World Book Day book for free or £1 off a book. We look forward to seeing the children dressed as their favourite book characters.

## Sport Relief

Sport Relief takes place during the week 9th-13th March and we will be raising money for this cause. During the week our usual afterschool sports clubs will be replaced with different sporting activities for pupils to take part in for a suggested donation of 50p. Details of the activities are below. We will also be having a non uniform day on Friday 13th March where pupils may come to school dressed as their favourite sports person for a donation to Sport Relief. We look forward to a fun week of fundraising.

Day	Activity	Year Group
Monday	Charity football match, finishing with a parents match at 3.50pm.	Years 4 to 6
Tuesday	Table tennis taster session	Years 3-6
Wednesday	Circuits, using an hour Jo Wicks workout	All years
Thursday	1 mile run/walk/jog	All years
Friday	After school non-stop dance tap in and out	All years

## Property

Please ensure your child's uniform and property is clearly labelled. We do not encourage children to bring mobile phones to school but are aware that some older children use them to keep in touch with parents before and after school. Mobiles and other valuables are collected at the beginning of the day and taken to the office where they are locked away for safekeeping. Please be reminded that we accept no responsibility or liability for any loss or damage to pupil's property.

## Friends Disco

The Friends will be holding a disco on Friday 28th February. Reception and Key Stage 1 disco will be 4:45-6:00 and Key Stage 2 6:15-7:45. Tickets are £2.50. Please complete slip and return with money to the Friends post-box in reception. If you are able to help at the disco please mark this on the slip. Without sufficient helpers these events cannot go ahead.

## Safety

The zigzags at the front of school have been repainted. Please do not park or wait on these lines. This is for the safety of our children. Please may we remind all parents and pupils to keep to the path and not to cut across the car park. A final reminder that that the car park is not for parents/carers to use when dropping off and collecting children.

## Clarinet Assembly

Our year 5 & 6 clarinet players will be giving a short performance in our assembly on Tuesday 31st March at 10:00. Parents are invited to attend.

## Staff News

Miss Thorp has started her Maternity leave and we have welcomed Mr Hannan as our new Year 1 class teacher.

## Payments

Payment for all school services should be made in advance. We are under no obligation to provide meals or breakfast and afterschool clubs where payment have not been made in advance. Outstanding debts at the end of term will be referred to Suffolk County Council for collection.

## Severe Weather & School Closure

If a decision to close the School is made, the information will be communicated to parents and staff using the following methods:

- Announcement on the School website
- Announcements on local radio stations: Heart FM (97.1 or 96.4 FM) and Radio Suffolk (95.5, 95.9, 103.9 or 104.6 FM)
- Announcement on the Local Authority website (<http://schoolclosures.suffolk.gov.uk>)



## Tavern Street Dentist

Tavern Street Dental Practice has advised us that they have NHS spaces available for children and families. Please contact the practice on 612181 for more information and to register.

## Dates

### Spring term

Wednesday 5th February 2020	Triple P Parenting Workshop
Friday 14th February 2020	SENCo Drop in for Parents
Monday 17th February—Friday 21st February 2020	Half Term
Friday 28th February 2020	Friends Disco
Friday 6th March 2020	World Book Day
Monday 9th—Friday 13th March 2020	Sport Relief afterschool activities
Friday 13th March 2020	Non uniform for Sports Relief—come dressed as your favourite sportsperson
Friday 27th March 2020	Friends Chocolate Bingo
Tuesday 31st March 2020	Clarinet Assembly 10:00

**One  
Life  
Suffolk**

# Health WALKS

**Families  
and  
Young People**

Our **FREE** Family Health Walks are back, and we'd love to see as many families there. There's no need to book, and it's a great way of getting more active, meeting new people and exploring the beautiful county. See below for your local walk:

## **Stowmarket Family Walk**

Thursday 20th February, starting 11:00  
**Meeting Point: Museum of East Anglian Life, Iliffe Way,  
Stowmarket, IP14 1DL.**

**After the walk, why not come along healthy lifestyle workshop, for  
FREE advice on how you and your family can be more healthy!**

For more information see our  
please see our Facebook  
events!

"We loved having something  
to do every Tuesday and  
exploring the area around  
where we live"

**Cooper Family**



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