



Chilton Community Primary School Newsletter



Autumn Term (3) 2017

Dear Parents

What an amazing term this has been here at Chilton! We have seen some year 5 girls representing us in a STEM subjects competition, the boys and girls both in action at interschool sports competitions and then there was the small matter of Christmas to be prepared for. We have a brilliant Christmas tree on display at the Stowmarket Christmas Tree Festival, are sending some of the older children to take part in a special carol concert and I've just watched the KS1 and Reception children's brilliant nativity performance—'Born in a Barn'.

Oh, and between all of that, in the last week of term we had a visit from OFSTED! (the report will be out around mid January).

I know the staff and children have all worked fantastically hard this term and all will thoroughly deserve their Christmas break.

I wish you all a Happy Christmas and look forward to welcoming the children back in the new year.

Mr Hemmings

Non pupil days	Monday 18 and Tuesday 19 December 2017
Christmas holiday	Wednesday 20 December 2017 to Tuesday 2 January 2018
Pupils return to school	Wednesday 3 January 2018

Safeguarding

This half-term children have been learning about anti-bullying, which has included racism and homophobic language. Learning was celebrated and shared with parents in assembly on 24th November. We encourage children to tell a school adult if they have a problem: this may be an adult on the playground, or a classroom adult; children can also write worries to go into the class worry box. Please support learning by encouraging your child in using respectful language at home and in school.

eSchools

We are sending an increasing number of texts which have risen in price. In order to help us cut costs please download the eSchools app. You are able to see all correspondence from the school office with your own unique login. If you do not have your login details, please contact the office.



Remembrance Appeal

The Royal British Legion have sent a big thank you for all your donations and purchases of the Poppy Appeal items. Chilton raised a healthy £137.96.

Children in Need

Thanks to all who contributed to the Children in Need appeal. We raised a total of £266.00—£110.50 through donations for wearing spots, £43 raised by year 6 selling biscuits at playtime and Mrs Nokes' cake sale raised



Sending money in to school....



Any payments should be sent in to school in a clearly labelled envelope which includes the pupil name, amount and reason for payment. Dinners should be paid in advance each Monday for the following week. If you wish to pay in advance the cost until February half term is £64.40. Please provide the correct money where possible.

Late into School

If you are late arriving at school, please sign your child in at the School Office & DO NOT take your child to classrooms or entrance doors. It is important that we know your child is in school safely for attendance & dinner records.

Children arriving at school after 8.45 a.m. are late. If persistent lateness continues could mean a meeting with the Headteacher and/or the Education Welfare Officer. Registers close at 9.00am, children arriving after this time will receive an **unauthorised** absence mark. 6 unauthorised absences (for any reason) will result in a Penalty Notice being issued. If your child is going to be absent please let us know in person, by telephone or leave a message at any time on the absence line: 01449 612928.



School Values Competition

The value for next half term will be Generosity. Each half term there is a competition with a £5 book token prize. Children can choose to do a piece of homework on the value and bring it into school by the end of the half term in order to be in with a chance of winning.

Chilton Nursery

Do you have a nursery aged child? Our nursery accepts children from the term after they turn 3. We currently have spaces available. If you would like to arrange a visit to see the nursery in action please contact the office.

Staff News

Mr Sparks has left Chilton to take up a new position closer to home. Mrs Farrow will also be leaving at the end of term to take on a full time role as an adult support worker. We wish them both every success in their new ventures.



Young Carers

This week our Young Carers have been getting festive, making Christmas decorations. If your child is a Young Carer and would like to join the group please speak to Mrs Ayden.

Reminder— No Smoking or Vaping

in or around the school site, this includes access areas to the school including the alley from Kent Road and by the front entrance where children are passing.



A big thank you **BUILDBASE BUILDING AND TIMBER MERCHANTS STOWMARKET** who kindly donated a large bag of grit and salt to help the school through the current spell of cold and icy weather. We appreciate their support, helping our children and families get in to school safely.