



Chilton Community Primary School Newsletter

Autumn Term (3) 2018

Dear Parents

The children have enjoyed another busy term. We have had chicks being born in year 6, new basketball hoops thanks to the EADT Sports for Schools prize and I'm looking forward to our end of term Nativity.

Thanks to all of our parents for their support in helping with their children's learning, whether that be reading, times tables practise or spelling homework. It's been great to see year 5 and 6 have made Chilton the top performing school on the PIXL times table app in 3 of the last 4 weeks.

We also celebrated our phonics results with a letter from Damien Hinds, Minister for Schools standards, congratulating us for being in the top performing 9% of schools nationally.

I think with all that effort the children and staff will enjoy a well earned Christmas break!

Wishing everyone a great Christmas.

Mr B Hemmings

Safeguarding

You may have already seen this on the school's twitter feed but the link below is a timely Christmas reminder highlighting some of the dangers of digital gifts.

<https://twitter.com/natonlinesafety/status/1070288625877872641>

Christmas at Chilton

A big thank you from Mrs Nokes to everyone who purchased cakes at the Christmas cake sale. She raised £150 for the Friends of Chilton.

Year R, 1 and 2's Christmas performance, The 'Inn-Spectors' will take place on Tuesday 18th December. Doors open at 1:30pm (please use the Key Stage 2 door). The performance will begin at 1.45pm. If you are late, you may not be admitted. Younger siblings are welcome but we would politely ask that if they are finding it difficult to sit quietly that you take them out so that parents can hear their children's performance.

On Wednesday 19th December, we will be enjoying a school Christmas Dinner. Pupils may wear a Christmas jumper with their uniform. We will also visit the Salvation Army Hall for the Christmas Carol service at 10.00am. Parents are invited to join us at the Hall. Seating is limited so please arrive early.

Sports Athlete to Visit Chilton

On Tuesday 27th November, pupils participated in a sponsored sports session with athlete Caradh O'Donovan. Each class completed a circuit with Caradh and at the end of the afternoon she gave an inspiring assembly about her sporting career. Pupils had the opportunity to ask her questions about what she does and what inspired her to take up kickboxing. 27 pupils raised sponsorship money and between them collected a grand total of £618.92. These pupils will receive their prizes in assembly on Friday and will help to choose the new sports equipment for the school.

Children in Need

We supported Children in Need this year by wearing non uniform and holding a swap shop. Mrs Nokes sold cakes after school and we raised £210.25 to send to Children in Need. Thanks to all who supported this worthwhile cause.



Sports News

We have been awarded a free football kit, consisting of 15 football shirts, shorts and socks, after our successful online application through the Premier League Primary Stars website. Our football team are pictured in the new kit at a recent competition.



On Tuesday 4th December, 2 teams from Chilton attended the Gipping Valley Under 11 dodgeball tournament at Mid Suffolk Leisure Centre. Our year 6 team made it through to the play offs and finished third in their group. Year 5 played well and successfully achieved a win and a draw in their group. Well done to all who took part.

Young Carers

This month our young carer's enjoyed Christmas Crafts and biscuits with their friends. If your child is a carer and you would like them to attend our



Young Carer's sessions, please speak to Mrs Ayden.



GDPR

Due to the changes to General Data Protection Regulations (GDPR) the school will not send out the yearly Data Collection Sheets this year. If your address or emergency contact details change or if your child is diagnosed with a medical condition, please let the school office know. If you would like a copy of the data we currently hold, please collect this in person from the office.

Attendance

The Government regard 95% as the minimum satisfactory attendance for a primary school pupil. Your child has missed the equivalent of 10 whole school days if they have 95% attendance. Evidence shows that pupils who attend school regularly make better progress both academically and socially. 73% of children who have over 95% attendance achieve five or more GCSEs at grades A* to C or equivalent. While GCSEs may seem a long way off good attendance through primary school will allow your child to fulfil their potential.

School Meals

School meals should be paid for in advance on Mondays for the week ahead. The cost is £2.30 per day. If you wish to pay half termly in advance, the cost will be £73.60 up until February half term. Please send any payments in a named envelope.

Harvest Festival

Thanks to all who donated to our Harvest collection for the Stowmarket Foodbank. The total weight collected was 95kg.



Dates 2019

Wednesday 2nd January 2019	Non pupil day
Thursday 3rd January 2019	Pupils return to school.
Thursday 17th January 2019	Maths café from 1:30pm– 3pm
Thursday 14th February 2019	Reading café from 1:30pm-3pm
Friday 1st March 2019	Health Worker, Ceri Renouf will be in school to give a sleep presentation. More information to follow.



Wishing you a Merry Christmas from all at Chilton Primary School

