

Weekly Newsletter: 27.11.20

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Dear Parents and Carers,

Thank you to all staff, children and parents who have been so supportive while the Foundation children were sent home to selfisolate this week. This was always a scenario we were expecting and planning for but makes this transition no less disruptive for all those concerned.

It was with huge relief that we learnt today that the member of staffs positive Covid-19 test result was voided and that we have now had confirmation of a negative result, so we welcome back our Foundation children on Monday ©

Finally....

There is still time to sign up for your child's parents evening next week as the on-line sign up system closes tonight at 5pm. I know the child would love you to talk to their teachers about how they have been progressing this term. The foundation children's meeting will stay go ahead despite the children self-isolating.

"Courage doesn't always roar. Sometimes courage is the quiet voice at the end of the day saying 'I will try again tomorrow'."

- Mary Anne Radmacher

Face masks

I now need to insist that parents wear masks when talking to staff at the classroom doors. Now more than ever we need to vigilant and protect the staff and children in bubbles!



Upcoming Events

30th November, 1st, 2nd, 3rd **December:** Parent's evenings 9th December: KS1 Xmas lunch 10th December: KS2 Xmas lunch 11th December: Xmas jumper free

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18th December: Last day of term

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Biggest increase in correct answers

1st - Tyler Heaton

2nd - Kayla Hawke

3rd - Leo Castles

Improvement in accuracy

1st - Jessica Bayly

2nd - Logan Watch

3rd - Ivy-May Davies

Bronze badges-

2KH- Maisie O'Flynn, Zachary Parke

Erin Jeffery

Silver Badges-

2KH- Evie O'Neill

Foundation Stars of the week

FCA/FJN - All children for working hard at home

FJN - Tilly Johnson for last week

Year 1 Stars of the week

1AJ - Jenson Hughes

1SA - George Wooldridge

Year 2 Stars of the week

2PA - Agnes Prince

2KH - Evie O'Neill

KS2 Class Cup Winners

3LP - Evie Heard

3AR - Riley Farnell

4LF - Olivia Pinsard

4SC - Erin Corber

5JC - Corbyn Winters

5DP - Scarlett Dyer

6MS - Lilia Fifield

6JH - Blake Macfarlane





Service Families Message from Little troopers below:

We have been made aware that service families can apply for a bear for their child if they have a parent deployed over Xmas this year. Email <u>info@littletroopers.net</u> with these details:

Your name and postal address (where you would like the bear to be sent)
 Service of serving parent(s) e.g. Royal Navy, British Army, RAF
 Details of ship/base/unit of serving parent
 Confirmation your child(ren) have a parent deployed overseas including Christmas Day 2020

Also a Cinderella pantomime will be streamed live for service families on <u>Sunday 20th December at 1400hrs</u>, so pop the date on your calendars! We will be sending out the access link and code to the panto closer to the time via our mailing list, if you're not subscribed to the newsletter already, then you can <u>sign-up here</u>

Well done Alfie, Tom and Sam @

Alfie Jeffers, Thomas Ashington and Sam Durrant all in Year 6 are currently undertaking a unique challenge as part of Elburton Villa u11s Football Club. They are part of 14 players who, during the last 2 weeks of national lockdown have committed to running just over 1 mile per day to raise money for Mental Health Charity MIND. The reasons for this challenge are two fold; the boys are raising awareness of the importance of mental health and just as importantly are looking after their own mental health & wellbeing by staying active and staying fit.

Their challenge is to run a distance equivalent to running from their home pitch in Elburton to Wembley Stadium (215miles) They have collectively run over 60 miles of their target and have already raised over £1000 for their chosen charity, a charity close to the teams hearts as 2 players have recently been affected by suicides in their families. They are 6 days through their 14 day challenge.



They really are trying to make a significant difference during these difficult times for everyone so well done biys, we are very proud of you.

You can support them by donating on this fundraising page:

https://uk.virginmoneygiving.com/fundraiser-display/showROFundraiserPage?pageId=1215898

'Aspirations Day' on the 15th of January 2021

This is to launch our STEM project in school. We would love for the children to dress up as something they would aspire to be when they are older. The children will soon be discussing what an engineer is in school with their teacher and how important their jobs are in the community. We will be gradually getting the children used to 'Thinking like an Engineer' through a variety of exciting projects!

If you have a job in engineering and think you could be of some help during our Science week in March 2021 please get in touch with Mrs Harley via email kharley@chaddlewoodschool.org.uk.

Xmas parties

We decided that we will be able to organise Christmas parties for the children this year but they will be bubble parties as opposed to year group ones. Class teachers will also be asking you to send a plate/box of party food in for your child as we are unable to have the party food shared in a buffet style as we would normally do-but there will still be fun, dancing, games and plenty of treats;-) Details and dates to follow.

Remote Learning guidelines

As the possibility of children having to access their learning from home is very real should a 'bubble' be sent home to self-isolate, I wanted to share our guidelines for parents and children on how to safely and sensibly access a Google Meet on-line video session and what the protocols for a teacher calling a child at home will look like. These are also shared on the new remote learning page on our website and will also be sent home in the event that a bubble does self-isolate.

When accessing 'Google Meet' with teachers and pupils:

- Sit against a neutral background
- Avoid recording in your bedroom where possible (if that's not possible, use a neutral background)
- Dress in your day clothes so no pyjamas! If you turn up in your pyjamas you will be asked to turn your camera off.
- Sit in a shared space like your lounge, not your bedroom.
- Remember to be mindful that other children might see or hear you and anything in the background so think about what you want people to see.
- Staff will always make recordings of Google Meets.

When a teacher or member of staff call home to talk to you:

- They will call on your parent's phone and not yours.
- They will call during school hours.
- You will need to have the phone on speaker phone so your parents can hear the call



Foundation clothing

Foundation staff have asked for donations of school trousers so if you have any spare please can you send them in. Also, if spare uniform has been sent home with your child, please can you return it as stocks are getting low, Thank you.

Absence during term time

Please can we ask that if you need to request a term time absence that you complete and return the attached form before the absence and not after. Thanks everyone.

Home learning and isolating

If your child is at home self-isolating for any reason, remote home learning is open to them, as it was throughout lockdown. Our Google Classrooms for each year groups contain links to lots of practice activities, including Time Table Rock Stars, Spelling Shed and AR reading quizzes, and teachers will populate their Classrooms with homework and appropriate tasks that they have shared in the actual classroom. We can also give you additional reading books. It is key that should your child be off that they continue their learning at home. Should you have any issues accessing the Classroom or need additional books as your child is at home, please let your class teachers know asap and they will be happy to help.

Covid testing update

Please can I ask that should your child be tested for Covid-19 and it is a **positive** result, that you inform the school office asap and should this be over a weekend, that you email me directly at sking@chaddlewoodschool.org.uk

Thank you

Contacts

Please let us know asap should a contact for your child need updating, so that might be a new address, mobile phone number or email address as by updating the recent contact sheets we have become aware that many contacts were out of date.

Attached to this newsletter: Friends newsletter

As ever please contact us with any questions, compliments or concerns.

Kind Regards: Sarah King [Headteacher]

2020-21 Dates: These are the dates that the children are in school.

Autumn Term	Spring Term	Summer Term
3rd September – 18th December 2020	5 th January – 1 st April 2021	19th April – 20th July 2021
Half – term: 26th - 30 th October.	Half – term: 15 th – 19th February	Half - term: 31st May - 4th June
Inset day: 23 rd October	Inset day: 4 th January	Bank Holiday: 3 rd May 2021