



Chaddlewood Primary School

Inspiring a love of learning

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Friday 5th January 2018

Dear Parents and Carers,

Welcome back after the Christmas break and I hope you all had a fabulous time with family and friends. The children have come back raring to learn and the Spring Term is always a pivotal time for progress. Your children will be working harder than ever to meet their potential. Of course there will be lots of sporting events, a drama production and opportunities to join clubs and learn new skills as well!

We have lots of information to share so please read below:

Friends of Chaddlewood: Below in the dairy table are details of upcoming events lead by the Friends of Chaddlewood and the school.

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.

Mathletics: We have been unable to renew our mathletics license due to budget constraints therefore log-ins will cease to work from the beginning of this term. We do however have access to Abacus homework and Times Table Rock Stars, which we are confident will support the children with their maths learning at home.

Staffing: This term we are so happy to welcome back Miss verden and Mrs Phillips, who have been unwell, and Mrs Harley returns from maternity leave at the end of January.

Admissions:

Consultation on admission arrangements 2019/2020

The Plym Academy Trust are consulting on our admission arrangements for 2019/2020 through Plymouth City Council. The consultation will be live between 11 December 2017 and 21 January 2018. If you wish to find out about our policy or make any comment, please visit www.plymouth.gov.uk/admissionconsultation.

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.

Sickness: We have been alerted by Public health England that norovirus is prevalent again and we have had our fair share of D&V at school over the Autumn **school! In** the light of this we need to be extra vigilant about ensuring children do not return to school until 48 hours after their last bout of D&V and that we all wash hands thoroughly throughout the day.

The Plympton Hub: At the end of this newsletter I have added a flyer for events that are happening at the Hub in January. These sessions are well worth signing up to.

Parking around the school: As ever we have had complaints from neighbours and parents about the thoughtless and dangerous parking of some of our parents. Despite numerous attempts to remind people that we are keeping **your** children safe when asking for safer parking, we still have people parking on the zig-zag lines outside the school gate and on the pavements around Nash Close. I have now contacted the police and they will be making random visits to the site to ticket all drivers who are parking dangerously and breaking the law. **Please stop!**

Foundation Unit: Work is continuing on the new Foundation Unit and the completion date is still February half-term. The foundations and base structure have been laid and built and so we are waiting with excitement as the walls begin to be assembled from this week.

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

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:

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| Thursday 8th February. 5-6.15pm KS1 6.30-8.00pm KS2 | Valentine Disco |
| Friday 9th February | Mufti day with £1 contribution towards 'Friends' fundraising |
| Friday 2nd March | World Book Day Character costume day: Please bring in a pre-loved book that you could donate to school. |
| Friday 9th March | Mother's Day lunch for Foundation mums 12-1.15pm 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 5-6.15pm KS1 6.30-8.00pm KS2 | Easter disco |
| 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 and Easter egg raffle |
| Children return to school on the 17th April 2018 | |

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

| Autumn Term | Spring term | Summer Term |
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| 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 |

FREE EVENTS IN JANUARY AT THE PLYMPTON HUB

AUTISM IDEAS EXCHANGE

Wednesday 10th Jan 9:30am-11am (& every 2 weeks thereafter)

Meet with fellow parents & carers of children with ASC in a relaxed, friendly & informal environment, with Caroline Snell, Autism Specialist Teacher.

Equal Minds Carers Ideas Exchange

Monday 15th Jan 6pm-7.30pm (& every 2 weeks thereafter)

A welcoming support group for those caring for or supporting someone through mental health difficulties, delivered in partnership with Equal Minds, a community group committed to urgent improvement in mental health provision.

MANAGING LOW MOOD

Thursday 18th Jan 9.55am-11am

A short workshop offering simple methods to understand and improve low mood. Provided by Plymouth Options.

Parenting in the primary years

Begins Thursday 25th Jan 10:00am – 11:30am

A positive, non-judgemental 8-week parenting course, to support parents of primary-age children. Provided by Patchwork.

Hormones and Harmony

Begins Tuesday 23rd Jan 6pm – 7:30pm

A positive, non-judgemental 8-week parenting course, to support parents through the challenges of the teenage years. Provided by Patchwork.

FREE 1:1 COUNSELLING

Sessions Available Every Thursday

Free counselling sessions, provided by qualified counsellor Naomi.

Emotional logic sessions

Sessions Available Every Wednesday

Emotional Logic is a well-proven lifelong-learning approach to resolving issues and handling emotions. Sessions are suitable for families, groups and individuals.

PLUS DATES TO BE ANNOUNCED

**FASDDAC Support Group
Plympton BPD Support Group**

To book, or for further details please call: **07533 747 794** or **07743 559 280**



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