



Weekly Newsletter: 17.12.20



# Chaddlewood Primary School

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## Upcoming Events

- 17<sup>th</sup> December:** Last day of term
- 5<sup>th</sup> January:** The children return to school
- 15<sup>th</sup> January:** Aspirations day

Dear Parents and Carers,

Thank you to everyone for supporting us all to make this term so successful. I have never been prouder of the children and staff of Chaddlewood. The staff have worked without complaint but with positivity, resilience and good humour through what has been the most extraordinary year in school I have ever experienced! The children's wellbeing and learning has been at the centre of all their actions and the children have responded by giving their best. Thank you to all the parents and carers who have made this possible by believing in and trusting us. ☺

It remains for me to wish you all a happy and safe Christmas and we look forward to welcoming you all back on the 5<sup>th</sup> January whole and happy. Take very good care, look after each other and especially your elderly friends and family.

We've seen the list and you are all on the 'nice' one!

Kindest Regards

Sarah King

*'Dear Santa, before I explain, how much do you know already?' ~ Anon*

Congratulations to the children below who have all won their class Headteacher's award for this term. Well done to them and to all the children, we could have given out many more of these awards this term ☺

FJN: Theo Lewis   FCA: Katie Slade   1AJK: Benjamin Wood   1SA: Seth Dyer  
 2PA: Sophia Holmes   2KH: Erin Jeffery   3AR: James Horton   3LP: Jack Weir  
 4SC: Verity LaMude   4LF: Sophie Lynas   5JC: Sophie Buckley   5DP: Sasha Kerr  
 6JH: Ethan Sterland   6MS: Lilia Fifield

## TTRS

### Biggest increase in correct answers

- 1st - Annette Rashkova**
- 2nd - Tyler Heaton**
- 3rd - Kayla Hawke**

### Improvement in accuracy

- 1st - Jaxon Trevis**
- 2nd - Mason Breen**
- 3rd - Isaac Middleton**

### Foundation Stars of the week

**All the children in Foundation for a brilliant first term in school!**

### Year 1 Stars of the week

- 1AJ - Darcie-Mae Hill**
- 1SA - Ezra Beasley**

### Year 2 Stars of the week

- 2PA - Poppy Jones**
- 2KH - Skye Bishop-Stewart**  
(Luca Coulton for last week)

### KS2 Class Cup Winners

- 3LP - Isaac Amm**
- 3AR - Lois Fell**
- 4LF - Jessica Cairns**
- 4SC - Bradley Burnard**
- 5JC - Lauren Fear**
- 5DP - Keira Willey**
- 6MS - Megan Price**
- 6JH - Noah Johnstone**



### **Message from our Chair of Governors**

*We find ourselves at the end of term and the excitement and celebration of Christmas, then onward into 2021, the term has demonstrated the great flexibility and adaptability that your children possess to cope with circumstantial change, this has been made smoother by yourselves and the incredible organisation and professionalism that is Chaddlewood School. Celebrations have been embraced using social media and video link, we have much to be thankful for in the advances of technology- the children look fabulous in their Christmas jumpers! The holiday period this year it will be very different with fellowship, friendship and family togetherness for many being through long telephone calls, messaging and social media. However you celebrate, on behalf of the governors I wish each and every one a peaceful and happy Christmas. 2021 will be another different year.*

Neil Bloxham  
Chair

### **KS1 and KS2 Xmas nativity and Carols around the Tree videos**

A HUGE thank you to all the staff and children for producing and taking part in such brilliant Xmas nativity and Carols around the tree videos! Lots of time and effort has gone on behind the scenes to 'uncancel Christmas' and a special thanks must go to Kate Harley and Matt Stace who organized their key stage videos and spent hours making sure the show went on 😊

### **Welcome new staff in the new term**

A huge welcome to Mrs. Louise Sewell, who will be joining the teaching team in Year 4, Mrs. Zoe Burgess, who will be joining the LSA team in KS1 and Mrs. Corinna Stewart, who will be joining the KS2 LSA team in January. We look forward to working with you in the New Year

### **School start time**

Just a reminder that school starts at 8.55am and so classroom doors will close at this time each mornings. We have had a larger than usual % of late children recently.

### **Thanks you Ellie Holdsworth and you family!**

A big thank you to Ellis and his family for organizing a Xmas Jumper day at Mum's work and raising £55 for the school, which we will be spending on reading books in KS2.

### **Winter Grant Update from PCC**

Plymouth City Council has also awarded a grant of £250k to [Plymouth Energy Community](#) (PEC), to help families struggling to stay warm this winter. PEC can provide grants for fuel bills and other winter warmth/gas safety/energy



efficient essentials. It is requested that schools and settings signpost families to PEC. Information and links will also be provided in or corporate communications and on our websites.

**Congratulations to Harry Pinsard who you can see here with his level 4 gymnastics proficiency award! Amazing work Harry- keep it up!**



#### **Eolas+ Xmas Holiday Camp at school**

This is running on the 21<sup>st</sup> and 22<sup>nd</sup> December at school from 9-3pm and you can sign up at [www.eolasplus.co.uk](http://www.eolasplus.co.uk).  
Flyer attached.

#### **Message from the Plympton Hub**

Dear Schools of Plympton,

In direct response to local feedback, we are pleased to be able to offer some online support for parents & carers who have concerns regarding their children's anxiety levels - and wanting to support their children better.

**Understanding Anxiety** sessions will be delivered by Jon Couch (Snr Ed Psych) to parents & carers, or anyone wishing to gain a little more understanding to support a child or young person. Sessions will run for 1 hour via Zoom on 3 consecutive Wednesdays - starting at the end of January. For full details please see the attached poster - & please do share with colleagues & in your school newsletters if you feel it's appropriate.

With many thanks & best wishes for a kinder, safer & more 'normal' 2021 for us all.

Charlotte.

#### **A message from Plympton Rotary Club**

This year when we tour Plympton with a Christmas tree and Christmas music members of Plympton Rotary won't be calling on families and inviting young children to meet Santa and take a lolly - that's simply not possible, as you know. Instead the little truck with the tree will have Santa sitting on it and we'll drop a flyer through the letterboxes (see attached) with details of how to support our fund-raising for local charities.

And a new venture: Santa does Zoom calls. We're taking bookings for a five-minute session on-line with Santa, asking parents when they book to tell us the names and ages of their children, plus something they've done well at or helped with this past year. We're asking for contributions but it's not required, and we'll get Gift Aid on these.

The first couple of Santa calls have gone well, and we have bookings from children at Woodford, Boringdon and Willows. This email is to invite you to tell children and their parents about us, possibly through your school newsletter - use our flyer if you like. Search on Facebook for Plympton Rotary Club for details of how to book and contribute.



We are operating within Rotary's policies on protecting children and on online communication with children (also attached) and we require a responsible adult with the children during the Zoom call. Please check that our local guidance - 'Santa Guidelines' - has your approval and give us advice on how we might be able to do things better.

Thank you from all our members for your sterling work in 2020 with unimaginable challenges - the children of Plympton have benefitted hugely. And have a great Christmas yourselves!

### **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 [info@littletroopers.net](mailto:info@littletroopers.net) 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 **Sunday 20<sup>th</sup> December at 1400hrs**, so pop the date on your calendars! Here is the access link to sign up: [https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/little-troopers-cinderella-panto-registration-132261679243?mc\\_cid=3e98bc80cf&mc\\_eid=25ce2bee9f](https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/little-troopers-cinderella-panto-registration-132261679243?mc_cid=3e98bc80cf&mc_eid=25ce2bee9f)

### **'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](mailto:kharley@chaddlewoodschool.org.uk).

### **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 or during the holiday, that you email me directly at [sking@chaddlewoodschool.org.uk](mailto: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:



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	5th January – 1st April 2021	19th April – 20th July 2021
<b>Half – term:</b> 26th - 30th October.	<b>Half – term:</b> 15th – 19th February	<b>Half – term:</b> 31st May – 4th June
<b>Inset day:</b> 23 <sup>rd</sup> October	<b>Inset day:</b> 4 <sup>th</sup> January	<b>Bank Holiday:</b> 3 <sup>rd</sup> May 2021