



Message from the Headteacher

On Monday and Tuesday, we had workshops with the Dog's Trust. These were very informative and something all children could relate to. Your donations raised £178 and were forwarded to the trust as a thank you and to further support their education programme.

A fantastic attendance at parents evening on Wednesday and Thursday. This year we trialled all teachers being in one area of the school and it worked very successfully. This was in response to parents communication from previous meetings. The complimentary hot drinks and cake were also very successful and a scrumptious thank you to Mrs Wayman-Chiles for making the cakes. There was also an opportunity to talk to Chartwells staff regarding school dinners, the feedback will be invaluable as the service moves forward.

We look forward to a Reading Week (2<sup>nd</sup> March 2020) when we come back after the holiday and a World Book Day Disco on Wednesday 4<sup>th</sup> March 2020 – if you could volunteer to help at the disco please let the office know.

Have an enjoyable half term break.

Half Term Reminder

School will reopen to all on Monday 24<sup>th</sup> February after the half term break.



What's on next term



Monday 24<sup>th</sup> February:

- KS2 Team Games 3.20-4.20pm
- Lego Club 3.20-4.20pm
- Science Club 3.20-4.20pm
- Year 6 Late Birds

Tuesday 25<sup>th</sup> February:

- Choir 8.20-8.50am
- Singing, Woodwind & Guitar Lessons
- KS1 Healthy Lifestyle 3.20-4.20pm
- Year 5 Late Birds

Wednesday 26<sup>th</sup> February:

- Street Dance Club 8.15-8.45am
- Violin & Keyboard Lessons

Thursday 27<sup>th</sup> February:

- Drum Lessons
- KS2 Healthy Lifestyle 3.20-4.20pm
- Year 3 Late Birds

Friday 28<sup>th</sup> February:

- KS2 Archery 3.20-4.20pm
- Year 4 Late Birds

### Years 1 & 2

Well it's the end of another half term! The children in Years 1 and 2 have had a great week. We have all been out on a walk in the local area and to the church. The behaviour of our children was impeccable.

We have discussed our findings from our science investigation into degradable materials and found just how long it takes for different materials, particularly plastic to degrade. From this, we came up with our own ideas on how we can improve our environment.

Have a super half term week off school.

Please make sure that all PE kits, book bags and homework and spelling books are returned on Monday after the holiday.

### Years 3 & 4

Years 3 & 4 have completed a mid-term maths assessment this week with emphasis on a wide range of arithmetic skills. This is extremely useful for teachers as it allows us to target any gaps in the child's learning.

It has been an interesting week in our English and Blue Abyss theme where we have learned about the amount of plastic which pollutes the ocean. Children have written about this either as a recount (pretending to be a plastic bottle on a journey to the sea!) or as an information text.

Please remember that swimming for Year 3s starts straight after half term - a letter has gone out but please ask if you need another as permission slips need signing.

### Years 5 & 6

Years 5 & 6 have this week completed their science investigation related to gravity; continued with their detailed sketch of a famous figure from Tudor England and took part in an end of theme quiz. They have also experienced a Dogs Detectives workshop delivered by the Dogs Trust.

Thank you to all parents and carers who attended Parents Evening.

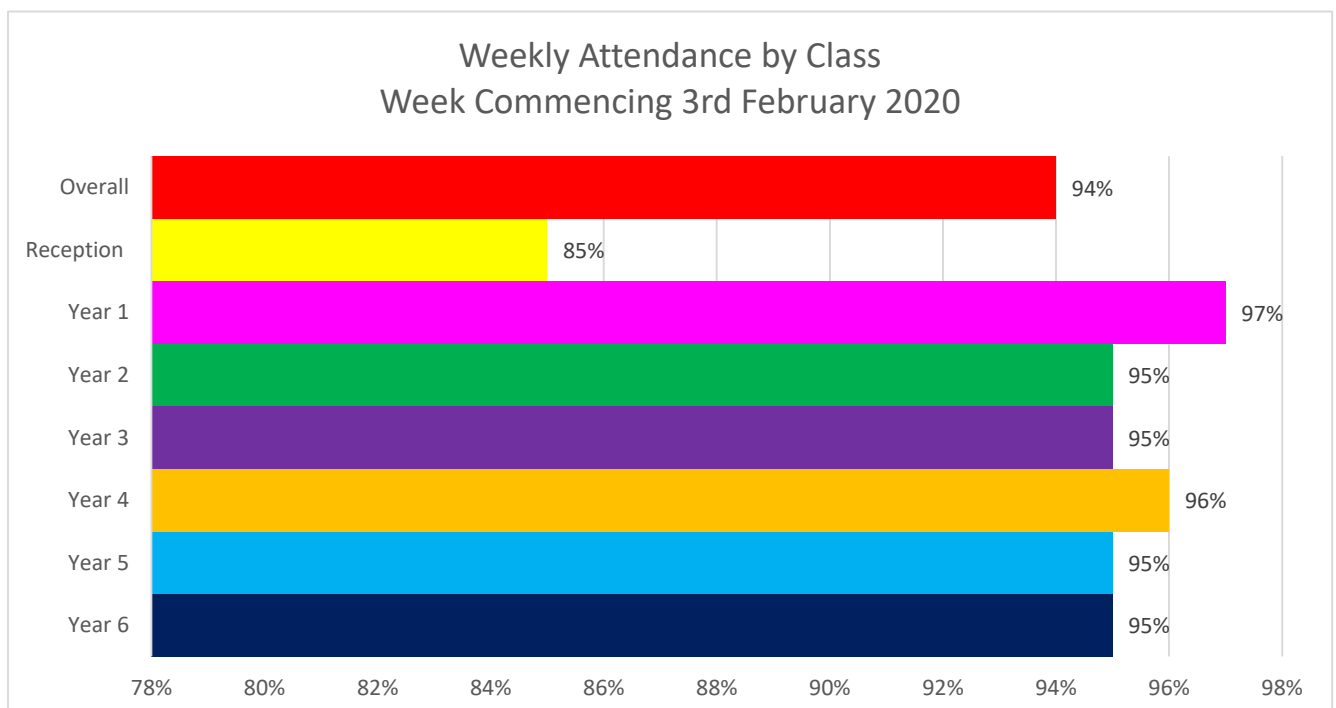
Our theme after half term is 'Stargazers' - we will look at all things related to our Solar System.

Enjoy the break.







### World Book Day 2020

We will be having a Reading Week in school week commencing 2<sup>nd</sup> March and there will be a disco on Wednesday 4<sup>th</sup> March, more information to follow...



House point totals  
Week Commencing: 3<sup>rd</sup> February 2020

	<b>293</b>		<b>229</b>
	<b>267</b>		<b>394</b>



### Dogs Trust Workshops

Key Stage 2 pupils have learnt how to approach dogs safely when out in the community and what to do should a dog approach them when they are out and about. Ask your child tonight about the new skills they have learnt to make sure they keep themselves safe and make sure dogs do not become scared or frightened. Thank you for your kind donations on non-uniform day, we raised £178 for the Dogs Trust.



### Latest In2Ed Africa



Thursday 30<sup>th</sup> January 2020

Dear Chadsmead School Council

Hi! How are you? I hope that you are well and enjoying lots of fun things at school.

I was so happy to take your fantastic drawings, photos and letters to the children in our Kenyan school. Wow, you have all been so busy! What talented letter writers, photographers and artists you are! Thank you so much.

When I took your letters into the classroom at our school in Kenya and showed the children all that you had sent, they were so excited. In fact the lesson actually stopped because the children couldn't wait to see your pictures and look at your photos! They loved all the colours you used in your drawings and wanted to know the names of everyone in the photographs!

Many of these children had not been to school before and being able to look at the fantastic work from Chadsmead Primary School was really amazing to them. They couldn't believe the letters and photos had come all the way from England!

They wanted to put your letters and photos up on their classroom wall straight away - it was a good job I brought lots of blue tack with me!

They were very keen to send some pictures back to you and I have enclosed their pictures with this letter. I have also e-mailed some photos and videos for you through Mrs Cadman's e-mail address. I hope you like them.

I will be in touch again soon with another update. But for now, thank you so much for all your fabulous letters, photos, pictures and for making friends with the children in our Kenyan schools. We think you are GREAT!

Love from Emma and the In2Ed Africa Team



Starting from 30<sup>th</sup> January

## Little Saxons Stay and Play

Messy Play    Sensory Activities    Refreshments

Saxon Hill Academy  
Little Saxons

Song Time

Stay and Play for parents/carers and children with additional needs 0-4 years

**Every Thursday during term time 1:30-2:30pm**

£2.00 contribution per family- limited spaces so please book to avoid disappointment

To book:  
Call- 01543 414892  
or email- [little.saxons@saxonhill.shaw-education.org.uk](mailto:little.saxons@saxonhill.shaw-education.org.uk)

Saxon Hill Academy, Kings Hill Road, Lichfield, WS14 9DE





## Morning Break

### Selector Menu

Toast	20p
Bagel	25p
Pancake	35p
Bread Roll	20p
Fruit Slice	5p
Milk Shake	50p
Water	35p
Apple/Orange	30p
Shot	

Sadie celebrates Pancake Day

**TUESDAY 25<sup>TH</sup> FEBRUARY**

## Pancake Day

*Choose a Main Meal...*

Local Sausages, Creamy Mash & Gravy  
or  
Staffordshire Oatcakes with Cheese (v)



*On the Side...*

Fresh Carrots  
Sweetcorn

*On the Side...*

Lemon Pancakes  
or  
Cooks Homemade Traybake



**Chartwells**  
EAT LEARN LIVE

**Lego Afternoon at Lichfield Library**  
**Monday 17th February**



**2 pm — 4 pm**  
**Age 5+**  
**£2.00 per child**

Numbers limited so please book your place  
0300 1118 000



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## Plastic Pollution

Children's poetry workshop



Lichfield Library  
Monday 17th February  
@  
10:30am—11:30am



With Staffordshire Poet Laureate Mel Wardle Woodend

Explore environmental issues through poetry and learn or refresh basic poetic techniques to create a poem that raises environmental awareness

£2.50 per child Age 8-13 yrs  
Please contact Lichfield Library—0300 111 8000 to reserve a place

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Part of 'There is no Planet B' Stafford Green Arts Festival