



Message from the Headteacher

As you are aware, Miss Lemm has been on maternity leave for the past 12 months and we have been lucky to secure Mrs Parrish in her absence. Miss Lemm returns back from leave on Wednesday 5th February, however, the children may see her before this time, as she prepares for her start. This means that Mrs Parrish's last day will be Friday 31st January. We are extremely sad to see Mrs Parrish leave, as she has been a part of our school for many years and instrumental in its most recent journey. We wish her the very best for her next ventures.

Collecting at home time

As you will appreciate, the safety of our children is of the utmost importance. This is particularly prevalent when dismissing children at the end of the day. Children need to be dismissed to the right adult and this can take some time. We thank you for your patience.

We have had a number of children collected late on a regular basis. As I bring your attention to this, it is not the one off incidents or the unexpected event that I make reference to, but the regular late collection. This is very upsetting for children, who are sat worried. Where children are collected late from school on a regular basis, the school complete records which may be used to make a referral to the Educational Welfare Service and the matter followed up with the parents/carer.



What's on next week



Monday 27th January:

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

Tuesday 28th January:

- Choir 8.20-8.50am
- Singing, Woodwind & Guitar Lessons
- KS1 Dodgeball 3.20-4.20pm
- Year 5 Late Birds
- Collectors Card Swap Shop 3.20-4pm

Wednesday 29th January:

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

Thursday 30th January:

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

Friday 31st January:

- KS2 Archery 3.20-4.20pm
- Year 4 Late Birds
- Quiz Night start 8pm

Years 1 & 2

KS1 children in Apple, Beech and Elm classes have had a super busy week. We have been inventing our own journey stories in our English and looking at aerial views in our theme. In maths, Year 2 have been learning times tables and Year 1 have been learning about telling the time by o'clock and half past.

Please look out for a letter in your child's bag to be signed for permission to go on a visit to the local church and a walk around the local area.

Years 3 & 4

It's been busy in Years 3 & 4!

We've had a lot of challenges in maths this week with Year 3 learning all about the inverse relationship between multiplication and division. We have used arrays to work out all the different factors of a number and now also understand the term 'multiple'. There has been some excellent perseverance at this when it has got quite difficult! In Year 4, we've been adding and subtracting fractions with the same denominator of which the children have showed some good understanding. In theme, we have studied how many creatures have adapted to their habitat - especially sea creatures. Some great discussions have come from this.

The children have also enjoyed their guided reading which is a play script version of the novel Treasure Island.

Years 5 & 6

Years 5 & 6 have this week continued their extended writing information text about King Henry VIII and his six wives. We as teachers have been extremely impressed by the knowledge of many of our children. We have also produced a precis of Henry's Great Matter and continued to focus on theme related vocabulary.

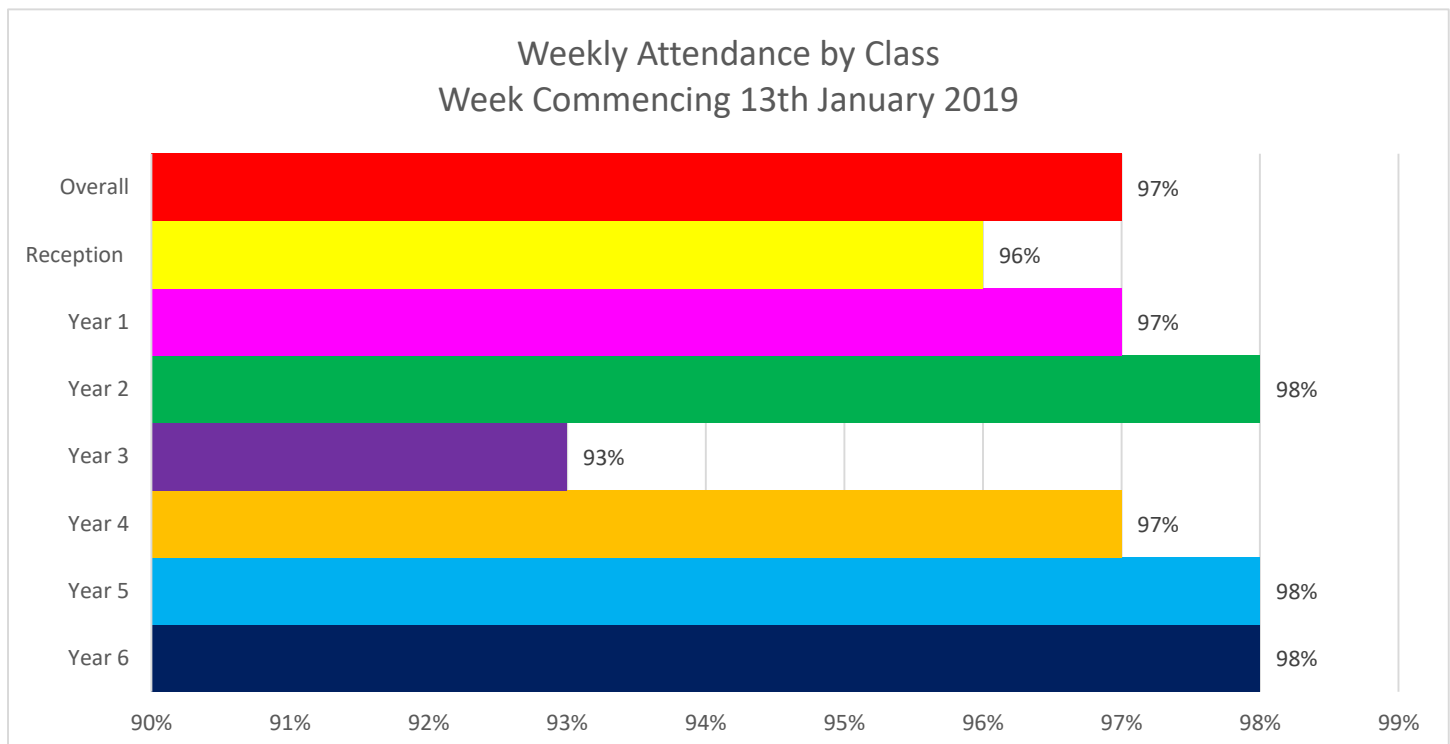
Thank you to all parents and carers who support their children with their homework, it is much appreciated. Also thank you to all Year 5 parents and carers who have responded to our letter about Whitemoor Lakes and Year 6 parents and carers who have responded to our letter about SATs.

Changes to menu





There will be no roast pork on the menu for the time being due to supplier problems. Roast dinners will alternate between chicken and turkey for the time being. Thank you.

abc teachers - Attendance Hero

Thank you to abc teachers for their kind donation of a jumbo art box to reward 100% attendance and never lates for the Autumn term. A lucky child will be drawn in a raffle in assembly to award their fantastic attendance.



House point totals
Week Commencing: 13th January 2020:

	237		203
	198		227

In2Ed Link Update

Last week our school's postcards arrived at our link school in Africa. Please visit the link below to see these pictures of this event and the In2Ed Africa project/team. Thank you Chadsmead children and staff.

<https://www.facebook.com/2314182028670567/posts/2676539649101468/>



Christmas Card Thank You

Everyone was so touched by the lovely cards that the children made and also commented on how well behaved and polite the children who came to visit were and what wonderful ambassadors they are for Chadsmead! Such a lovely thought from the children and yourselves and appreciated by all of us here at Whittington.

Kind regards,
Age UK



RSPB Big Garden Birdwatch is this weekend!



What are you doing this weekend? Why not join the RSPB Big Garden Birdwatch from 25-27 January. You are invited to watch, identify and count the birds that land in your garden, balcony or local park for one hour. You can then submit your results by 16 February so that what you have seen is added to national data. Results are available in April. If you would like to be part of this annual event, see www.rspb.org.uk/birdwatchhowto for a guide and identification. Happy birdwatching!

Message from School Crossing Patrol

I attended a Site and Risk Assessment on the mini roundabout at the junction of Dimbles Lane and Weston Road where we have a SCP(Peter). As part of the assessment I count the children and vehicles which gives us data to categories the crossing.

I feel I need to inform you that several of the parents with children (approx. 30) were crossing further up the Weston Rd and not using the Crossing Patrol. This has implications, two fold, firstly it lowers the child count which may give a lower category or indeed may lead to the crossing being disestablished as not making criteria. Secondly it teaches the children bad habits and gives them the impression that it is ok to dodge the traffic.

Your cooperation is greatly appreciated..

Teacher Interview - Teacher Name: Mrs Miles

Interviewed by: Anne and Cayden



1. What inspired you to become a teacher?

My own teachers - I had some really great ones as well as a couple who sacred me so much I couldn't learn

2. What did you do before you became a teacher?

I worked as an illusionist's assistant, sang on cruise ships, worked as a personal assistant to a director at an arts centre and also for TV company.

3. Why do you enjoy teaching?

Every day is different and I love teaching people new things.

4. What is your favourite subject to teach? Why?

Music: my own primary teacher inspired me so much. I love watching people gain pleasure from making music.

5. What house team are you in?

None - we are supporters of all houses

6. What are your favourite hobbies?

Reading - especially finding brilliant new books for children; playing piano and singing...stroking my cat, whilst drinking a glass of wine!

7. What sort of music do you like?

All sorts depending on my mood: I love Spotify.

8. If you had a super power, what would it be? Why?

I'd love a magic finger to point at things and make them move back to where they belong!

9. If you were head teacher, what would you do to make the school even better?

I would love to be able to teach all the classes music again - I loved doing that and I miss it

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Chadsmead Primary Academy Presents

Collectors Card

SWAP SHOP



Last Tuesday of the Month

TUESDAY 28TH JAN, 25TH FEB, 31ST MARCH

AFTER SCHOOL TIL 4PM

CHILDREN TO BE ACCOMPANIED BY THEIR ADULT. CHILDREN IN YEARS 5 & 6 WHO USUALLY WALK HOME WITHOUT AN ADULT WILL NEED A LETTER OF PERMISSION TO LEAVE ALONE AT THE LATER FINISH TIME.

PLEASE BRING YOUR CARDS IN AN ENVELOPE AND HAND TO YOUR TEACHER AT THE BEGINNING OF THE DAY. EVEN BETTER, ASK YOUR ADULT TO BRING THEM TO THE SWAP SHOP!

YOU COULD BE PREPARED BY WRITING A LIST OF "SWAPS & NEEDS" TO SPEED UP SWAPPING WITH YOUR FRIENDS!

*Please check the value of your cards before attending. Chadsmead cannot be held responsible for swaps, by attending and bringing your cards you consent for your child's swaps to be final. You may wish to check card values on eBay or similar prior to attending.

Dates for the Spring Term

SPRING TERM 2020

JANUARY

Monday 6th Term starts

FEBRUARY

Wednesday 12th Parent's Evening

Thursday 13th Parent's Evening

Monday 17th } Half Term

Friday 21st } Inclusive

Wednesday 26th The Book Bus

MARCH

w.c. 2nd

Thursday 5th

APRIL

Thursday 2nd Easter Service for KS2 - 9.30am

Friday 3rd Early Years and KS1 Easter Service - 9.30am

Monday 6th } Easter Holidays

Friday 17th } Inclusive