



## Newsletter Wednesday 21<sup>st</sup> July 2021



### Message from Mrs Grainger

As things have begun to return to a more recognised way of life, it is important to acknowledge that this has, and continues to be, a very challenging year for children and their families and the school.

I want to say a huge well done to our children and families for the positivity, commitment and 'can do' attitude that you have all demonstrated throughout.

I also want to place on record my heartfelt thanks to all of the staff at Chadsmead. The measures we have had to implement to keep everybody as safe as possible have put an incredible strain on all the staff. But we all keep on going, supporting each other and ever more so determined to ensure that your children have the best possible education.

Whilst we remain optimistic about the country's recovery and moving beyond Covid, by maintaining this positivity and whole school togetherness, you have undeniably made the best of a difficult situation - sincerely, thank you.

### Scooters and Bikes

It is fantastic that so many children choose to ride a bike or scooter to school. However, please can we ensure that scooters/bikes are not ridden on school grounds. Thank you for your support.

### Message from the Governing Body SSC

As we reach the end of this academic year, Governors have been replacing 'Governor Day' with online meetings with staff and children to discuss a broad range of areas. I really enjoyed meeting Mr Budge's class (thank you everyone!) and hearing about their feelings about their writing work in lockdown, their progress since returning to school and their ideas to improve their learning. The children's views will support small changes that will make their writing even better! The fact that this school encourages honest discussion from the children and acts upon it is extremely reassuring and valuable.

Also, after volunteering as Chair of the EAB and of the governing body for 5 years altogether, my second term as SSC Chair has come to an end. I am delighted to let you know that Debbie Sarson will become the new Chair of the SSC. Debbie has been an active and effective governor for 4 years. Please join me in thanking her so much for all of the time that she will give voluntarily, supporting the school, meeting with the Community Academies Trust and leading the Governing Body (SSC).

All of the new governor biographies have been added to the website, so please take a minute to look at these online or the copies that are on the school notice board and get to know the volunteers who are giving their time to the school. Thank you to all of them for everything that they have given in this extraordinary year to support and nurture the staff and children. Also, we wish all of the Year 6 children and their families the very best for the future as they prepare to leave us and move to High School. Thank you for being a supportive part of the Chadsmead family and we hope that you are leaving with happy memories of a strong and caring community and of enjoying your learning. We truly hope that your time at Chadsmead has given you 'the roots to grow and the wings to fly.'

Finally, we wish all staff and children a relaxing summer break and we look forward to seeing everyone again in September to share whatever the next academic year brings.

Warmest good wishes  
Iona Chisholm

# curriculum

## What has your child been learning about in class this week?

### Years 1 & 2

In Key Stage 1, we have spent this week thinking and talking about our transition into our new year groups. We have discussed what we're looking forward to in September and any worries that we may have. We have spent some time getting to know our new class teacher a little bit more. It's been a fabulous year once again and we're really proud of how hard the children have worked and what they've achieved. A big thank you for all of the hard work that you've put in this year and thank you for the kind words, gifts and cards that have been sent in. Have a lovely and safe summer!

### Years 3 & 4

Well, we are actually at the end of the school year! It seems like just the other day when they came back to school last September although such a lot has happened since.

We have completed our final theme Gods and Mortals with a range of famous Greek myths and legends. The children have shown real interest, especially when learning about Greek gods such as Zeus, Poseidon, Ares and Hera. We are extremely proud of the way the children have behaved in perhaps what will be, one of the most extraordinary in our lifetimes. It has been amazing to see their resilience and great attitude as they returned to resume their in-class learning. Thanks so much to all parents for your support throughout the year and we wish you a restful and relaxing 6 weeks away from school. We look forward to seeing school re-open with everyone fresh and re-charged ready for a brand new school year!

### Years 5 & 6

This week we have this week finished both of our texts and watched the films for Stargazer (Year 5) and Skellig (Year 6). We were able to compare the book with the film and debated which we liked best and why.

Year 6 have spent a lot of time practicing their leavers service which they performed on Monday afternoon. They thoroughly enjoyed looking back at all of their time at Chadsmead and some of the great memories they've made. From all of the staff at Chadsmead we'd like to say how proud we are of them and wish them good luck in the future - Be Awesome Go Big!

Of course this means all of our other children will be a year older and will be returning to school into new classes. Our theme in the Autumn term will be 'Off with her Head', which is a history theme all about the Tudors and Henry VIII. Before that - stay safe and enjoy your break.

## September 2021 Timings

The table below details the start and end of school day times and where to drop off and collect your children – this is similar to the current system, with less staggered starts. The doors open at the specified time, as we do now.

Class	Start Time	Where	Finish Time
Saplings (Nursery)	8:45am	Glass Corridor	3:15pm (except Friday)
Acorn/Willow (Reception)	9am	Early Years door	3:15pm
Apple/Cherry (Year 1 & 2)	8:55am	Glass Corridor	3:15pm
Sycamore (Year 4)	8:50am	Glass Corridor	3:20pm
Maple (Year 3) Birch/Elder/Oak (Year 5 & 6)	8:50am	Red Wing Playground	3:20pm

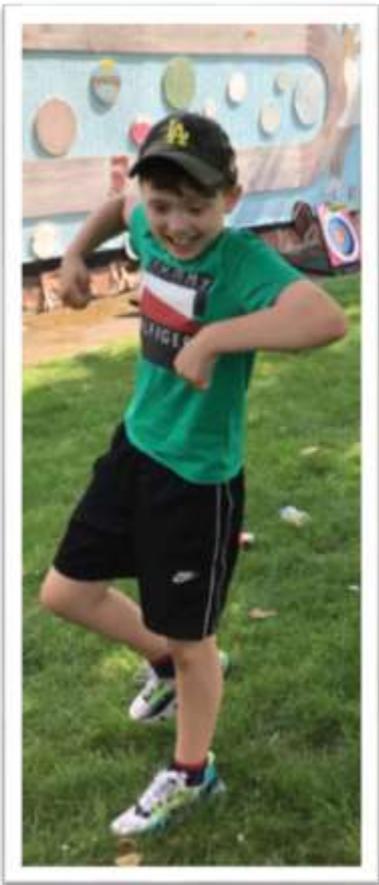


### Sports Week Totals Week Commencing: 5<sup>th</sup> July 2021



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**Year 6**  
**Anything is possible, be brave,**  
**be kind and follow your dreams**  
**- we will miss you!**





## Class of 2021



We have been together for seven years,  
Sharing our hopes, dreams and fears.  
Sharing a journey, laughing and growing,  
And now off to high school you are going.  
As school years go, this one has been tough,  
With working at home and the online stuff.  
It has not been the final year we had hoped,  
But we're amazed at your strength and how well you've coped.  
What we have learnt in a time like this,  
Is what's truly important and the friends we miss.  
Hold on to the memories that we have shared,  
Remembering friends and those who cared.  
The class of 2021 will hold a place in our heart,  
For the courage you've shown from the very start.  
You have carried on regardless during this period of change,  
And continued on when things were strange.  
You're moving on to somewhere new,  
Filled with the confidence you need to see you through.  
From all at the school, we wish you the best,  
Smiles and hard work will be your key to success.

