



Newsletter Friday 18th December 2020



House Point Totals
Week Commencing 7th December 2020

	210		230
	224		212

Message from Mrs Grainger

As we reach the end of the first term, I would like to reflect on how successfully we have all worked together through this term to keep the community safe. Throughout this period our staff, children and parents have had to be flexible and adapt in many ways over the past weeks and months. Everyone has demonstrated real resilience and commitment.

Thanks to so many parents who have passed on kind words, appreciation or comments by My Ed, email or at the gates. Staff have gone above and beyond the roles that they hold, and in a difficult time for all our families, we really appreciate your help and co-operation.

As we come towards the end of Advent and Christmas itself, I want to wish you all a wonderful Christmas. This will be a Christmas like no other, difficult for some and a challenge for many. I hope we can all experience the gifts of love and joy through the people we meet. If we are lucky enough to be able to meet friends or family, then delight in the simple greatness of being together. Wishing you a safe and relaxing Christmas time.

Message from the PTFA

We would like to thank all of the people who decorated their houses and volunteered to be part of the Twinkly Trail. We hope that everyone who took part in the Twinkly Trail, sang carols with Cathy, ordered some delicious cakes or had a quiz pack enjoyed them. We have raised over £200 this Christmas and with this money we hope that we can bring some fun and help the children through the year.

Thanks for all your support and Merry Christmas from the PTFA.

Message from the Chair of SSC

As we come to the end of this truly unusual year, I know you will join me to thank the staff, the PTFA, Gardening Club, Governors and school volunteers for all that they have done for the children.

Also, thank you to all members of the school community who will be decorating their gardens for the Twinkly Trail - all your fabulous efforts really bring the Christmas Community Spirit to Chadsmead and are much appreciated.

Since last writing, the Governors have attended the online Annual CAT Governor Conference for thanks from CAT plus training and will meet again before Christmas to discuss school standards. Also, we are really looking forward to a meeting with staff to discuss the curriculum at school and attending an online school assembly.

Wishing you all a happy time this Christmas and a positive year to come.

Warmest good wishes
Iona Chisholm
Chair of SSC

FRIDAY 18 th Dec	SATURDAY 19 th Dec	SUNDAY 20 th Dec	MONDAY 21 st Dec	TUESDAY 22 nd Dec	WEDNESDAY 23 rd Dec	THURSDAY 24 th Dec
Continue to report Covid symptoms and testing outcomes to school using the MyEd app. <i>Positive cases in this time frame could still lead to bubbles having to isolate. School will notify families via the MyEd app if children need to isolate.</i>			Report cases to test and trace. <i>Only report positive cases to school using the MyEd app, if the symptoms started before 21st Dec. Positive cases in this time frame could still lead to bubbles having to isolate. School will notify families via the MyEd app if children need to isolate.</i>			

FRIDAY 25 th Dec
Report cases to Test and Trace as it will not affect our bubbles.

SAT 26 th Dec	SUN 27 th Dec	MON 28 th Dec	TUES 29 th Dec	WED 30 th Dec	THURS 31 st Dec	FRI 1 st Jan	SAT 2 nd Jan	SUN 3 rd Jan	MONDAY 4 th Jan 2021
SCHOOL CLOSED FOR CHRISTMAS HOLIDAYS									INSET DAY School closed to children
Report cases to Test and Trace as it will not affect our bubbles.									
Inform school, via the MyEd app, of either a positive case or self-isolation as the period affects the return to school.									

curriculum

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

Years 1 & 2

It's hard to believe that a whole term has passed since we started back to school in September. The children have coped amazingly well with the changes that were put in place in school to keep us all safe. Each and every one of your children has worked extremely hard and has made progress in their learning. We are very proud of their achievements!

This last week at school has been very exciting with online pantomimes, Christmas hunts, lots of Christmas activities and of course parties.

Next half term we will begin our new theme; 'Bright Lights, Big City'. You will find ideas for creative activities in your child's homework book to prepare them for the new theme.

Thank you for all your hard work this term.

Wishing you a very merry Christmas from all the teachers and staff in KS1. See you in January.

Years 3 & 4

Well, what a great finish to the term we have had.

It seems an age ago when the children first came back to school in September, with perhaps a few nerves about school seem such a long time away.

They have been excellent throughout the Autumn term and have learned loads.

It has been a pleasure to see them 'soak up' their learning and benefit from all school has to offer including forming new friendships and getting along in new ways. We have made Christmas cards this week (check bags please!), enjoyed our local church performance as well as doing our Holly Hunt and finally finishing with an amazing party day.

Please enjoy a lovely Christmas, keep you and your family safe and we look forward to seeing everyone back on Tuesday 5th January.

Please note there is a creative homework to be done for our new Theme - Playlists although this is not due until Tuesday of the SECOND week back (see purple homework books).

There are no spellings to learn but reading and Rockstars times tables would really help keep minds active!

Spring Term

We hope you have a lovely restful Christmas and we look forward to welcoming children back to school on Tuesday 5th January 2021.

Years 5 & 6

Years 5 & 6 have this week concluded their term with some writing about the Egyptian Hierarchy and an end of theme quiz. In writing they have completed diary extracts and a newspaper report. We have also finished our class text 'Secrets of a Sun King' which we have thoroughly enjoyed.

In maths we have worked on fractions and division.

After Christmas we will begin a new theme 'Blood Heart', this is a very Science based theme where we will learn all about the circulatory system.

We would like to wish everyone a Happy Christmas and thank our parents for all of their support this year.

Year Group Timetables

These have now moved on our website and can be found under the 'Parents and Families' tab. We are currently in the process of updating our Curriculum page – please bear with us.

Christmas Fundraising

Thank you to everyone that has contributed to our Christmas Fundraising – we have really missed our Christmas Fayre and performances this year but have tried to remain festive throughout this time and thank you to all who have helped make this happen. The amounts raised are shown below:

Non Uniform Day 04.12.20 - £180

Carols with Cathy - £81

Festive Film Nights - £471

Chadsmead Quiz Packs - £71

Christmas Jumper Day £123 (£123 paid to Save the Children)

Christmas Raffle - £439

TOTAL: £1365

