

# Chenies School Newsletter

## 7<sup>th</sup> May 2021

### Headteacher's News

I have been to visit all of the classes this week to look at the children's writing books and have been really pleased to see how many children are working very hard to improve the content and presentation of their work. Please do ask your child if they are always taking as much care as they should to present their work neatly. I am confident you will get an honest answer!

Next week we are having a new sound and lighting system installed. This will be used to enhance school productions, dance and music lessons, and events such as school discos. The majority of work will be taking place in the school hall and therefore Hockney will be returning to their usual classroom next week.

### Parents' Evening

Thank you to everyone who has already booked an appointment. If you have not already done so there are still spaces available. If you have forgotten your log in details please contact Mrs Burchell in the school office.

### Clothing and Lost Property

As the weather keeps changing, please ensure your child brings a coat to school every day. The children do go outside at playtime, whatever the weather! Please can I also remind you that items of clothing should be named. We have a significant amount of lost property which we are unable to return to owners because it is not named.

### Forest School

On Monday the **Year 1** children will be starting their forest school sessions. Please ensure they come to school with a coat and sturdy footwear. They should also wear jogging bottoms/trousers suitable for tree climbing.

### Staff News

As I am sure many of you will already know Mr Malik delivered his last session with us on Wednesday. He was offered an opportunity to work at a secondary school in preparation for his teacher training and we wish him well for that. I am pleased to inform you that Mr Cuthbert, an experienced ELMS coach, will be replacing him and was able to work with Mr Malik on Wednesday to ensure a smooth handover.

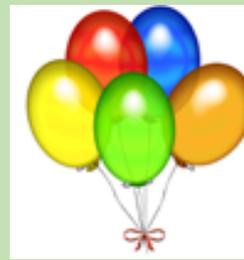


## Happy Birthday

Dennis – 7<sup>th</sup> May

Jacob – 8<sup>th</sup> May

Daisy – 10<sup>th</sup> May



## ECO NEWS

We have recently elected new Eco warriors who are Jessica in Van Gogh, Olivia B and Rocky in Monet, Aaron and Oliver B in Hockney and Jamie and Anna in Hepworth with Olivia T (mentor).

Mr Purvis and Harvey have erected a flag pole kindly donated by the Tyler family so we can now proudly fly our Green Eco School flag.



We are still collecting a lot of recycling and look forward to receiving and sorting your donations of:

Clean plastic milk bottle tops

Toothpaste tubes (but not toothbrushes)

Batteries

Plastic pens, felt tips, biros, highlighters

Crisp packets (anything from Walkers - they sponsor the scheme - so Quavers, Wotsits and Monster Munch are also okay and anything with the word 'Crisps' on it from any other brand such as supermarket brands. Please don't send popcorn bags or other packaging which isn't crisps).

Thank you for taking the trouble to sort and send your recycling which is raising money for several charities.

I wish you all an enjoyable weekend.

Suzanne Powell

## Message from Mrs Palfreman - Ration Challenge UK 2021

Have you heard I'm taking the Ration Challenge?

This year I am forming Team Donnelly in memory of Brian, our brilliant chairman of Chorleywood 4 Refugees who died recently after battling throat cancer.

Would you like to join me? If I can do it you can!!!

For one week, I will eat the same rations as a Syrian refugee living in a camp in Jordan, just a small amount of rice, flour, lentils, chickpeas, beans, fish and oil. That's it!

The money I raise will help bring emergency food, healthcare and life-saving support to the people who need it most.

I would love you to help me make a difference!

Head to <https://www.rationchallenge.org.uk/judith-palfreman> and check out my fundraising page to find out more about my challenge experience and make a donation.

Together we can save lives!

## STARS OF THE WEEK

<b>Van Gogh</b>	<b>Samuel</b>	<b>Daisy</b>
<b>Monet</b>	<b>Joseph</b>	<b>Samuel</b>
<b>Hockney</b>	<b>Luca</b>	<b>Rishabh</b>
<b>Hepworth</b>	<b>Fred</b>	<b>Anvitha</b>

## Class News

### Van Gogh

**Phonics:** The children are working very hard on their phonics as we continue to re-visit and consolidate the Phase 3 and Phase 5 sounds and focus on applying these sounds to reading and writing. Please continue to work with your child on the sounds and tricky words.

**Reading:** The children will be coming home with their reading books on Monday and should be returned on Friday. It is really important that you continue to read and share books everyday with the children.

**Math:** We will continue to consolidate our TEEN numbers and talking about place value. We will also be introducing recording data by using tally chart and bar graphs.

**Topic:** We will be monitoring the growth over the next few weeks and keeping a diary. It is the Eid this week and we are very lucky to have Omar and Nisreen in the class to tell us all about it. We will be learning about the celebrations and how it is an important event in the Islam calendar. We will also be talking about similarities and differences with Hinduism and Christianity celebrations.

**Role Play:** is currently a Doctors Surgery and the children have been enjoying playing the roles of nurses, doctors, patients, and admin. They have treated sick babies with high temperatures, broken arms and have even had to do home visits. We will keep you updated on how our patients and recovering!

### **SHOW & TELL DATES:**

Blue House	14 <sup>th</sup> May 2021
Red House	21 <sup>st</sup> May 2021
Yellow House	28 <sup>th</sup> May 2021

**Reminder:** Sun Hats and Sun Cream

I know with the current situation things are different, but please if you have any questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Mrs Sahotay 😊

## **Monet**

**On Tuesday Year 2 will be taking part in a games festival, please can they come to school in their PE kits.**

Next week we will be continuing to focus on using capital letters, finger spaces and full stops consistently in our writing and using commas to separate items in a list. We will be reading more of our class book, predicting what might happen and creating linked artwork for our classroom display.

In Maths we will be revising and comparing 3D shapes and their properties, telling the time and solving time related word problems. Please practise telling the time at home over the weekend so the children are confident with o'clock and half past times (moving on to quarter past and quarter to in Year 2).

In Science we will be observing our bean seeds and finding out what is happening to the seeds in different locations of the classroom. We will also be identifying and describing the different parts of plants and trees.

In PSHE we will be talking about medicines including vaccines to help people stay healthy and finding out about the Big Bang Theory in RE.

Please log in to Activelearn to access home learning this week.

Have a lovely weekend,

Miss Blakeley

## **Hockney**

This week in English we will be finishing our work on Christophe's story by writing a story based on their own experiences, using the book as inspiration.

In maths we continue with looking at measurements, finishing up with perimeter and area, and moving on to time.

We will be starting their Science of Living things and Habitats, by looking at vertebrates, what they are, and how to identify them.

In topic we will continue looking at the Romans. They will look at the attempts of invasion of Britain by the Romans.

In Computing, they are learning how to effectively format a document. They will be learning on how to use the spell checker effectively.

Homework has been set for Maths and English, which can be accessed using their Google Classroom login.

As part of the topic of looking at the Ancient Romans, the children have recapped their knowledge on forces and have started a small project on making mini-catapults. I hope to dive further into this with the children, with the aim of working as a class on building a bigger "person" sized catapult that could launch water balloons. If anyone can help by providing some materials, I would be very appreciative. Things such as scrap gutter piping for the framework, and something like the inner rubber tube of a bicycle wheel. Many thanks in advance.

## Hepworth

**On Tuesday Year 6 will be taking part in a games festival, please can they come to school in their PE kits.**

Next week, we continue to use the text 'Fantastic, Funny, Frightening' as our stimulus for our English lessons. The work will include making predictions, discussing their understanding of what is read and discussing genre. In grammar we will focus on word structure, word types and expanded noun phrases. Our spelling words will be the prefixes in- or irr-

In Maths we will start the week looking at time - this will include reading time, converting between 12 and 24 hour times and reading from timetables. At the end of the week we will be looking at angles around a point, on a straight line and opposite angles.

Our topic work will involve us exploring how the sea shapes the coastline in the UK and this ties in with the class novel we are currently reading at the end of each day, Floodland - by Marcus Sedgwick which the children are really enjoying. In Science, the children will continue to find out more about the changes in humans through to old age. In RE we are doing a final focus on Eid ul Fitr: this is being celebrated this week - so 'Eid Mubarak' to all families who are celebrating! In Friday's PE lesson we will be doing map work as part of our outdoor adventurous activities unit. PSHE sees us continuing our work on discrimination and stereotypes.

Please can you ensure that your child has a sunhat and sun cream on as the weather starts to be a lot warmer and sunnier. We would like to do more outside as it warms up and it is important that your child is protected.

We hope you have a wonderful weekend.

Mrs Tillyer and Mrs Wilson

## TERM DATES FOR SCHOOL YEAR 2021 / 2022

### **Spring Term 2021**

Inset Day	Monday 4 <sup>th</sup> January
Term Starts	Tuesday 5 <sup>th</sup> January
Half Term	15 <sup>th</sup> – 19 <sup>th</sup> February
Term Ends	Thursday 1 <sup>st</sup> April @ 1.30pm

### **Summer Term 2021**

Inset Day	Monday 19 <sup>th</sup> April
Term Starts	Tuesday 20 <sup>th</sup> April
Half Term	31 <sup>st</sup> May – 4 <sup>th</sup> June
Term Ends	Wednesday 21 <sup>st</sup> July @ 1.30pm

### **Autumn Term 2021**

Inset Day	Wednesday 1 <sup>st</sup> September
Inset Day	Thursday 2 <sup>nd</sup> September
Term Starts	Friday 3 <sup>rd</sup> September
Half Term	25 <sup>th</sup> – 29 <sup>th</sup> October
Inset Day	Monday 1 <sup>st</sup> November
Term Ends	Friday 17 <sup>th</sup> December @1.30pm

### **Spring Term 2022**

Inset Day	Tuesday 4 <sup>th</sup> January
Term Starts	Wednesday 5 <sup>th</sup> January
Half Term	21 <sup>st</sup> – 25 <sup>th</sup> February
Term Ends	Friday 8 <sup>th</sup> April @ 1.30pm

### **Summer Term 2022**

Term Starts	Monday 25 <sup>th</sup> April
Half Terms	30 <sup>th</sup> May – 3 <sup>rd</sup> June
Inset Day	Monday 6 <sup>th</sup> June
Term Ends	Thursday 21 <sup>st</sup> July @ 1.30pm