

Chenies School Newsletter

Friday 17th January 2020

Headteacher's News

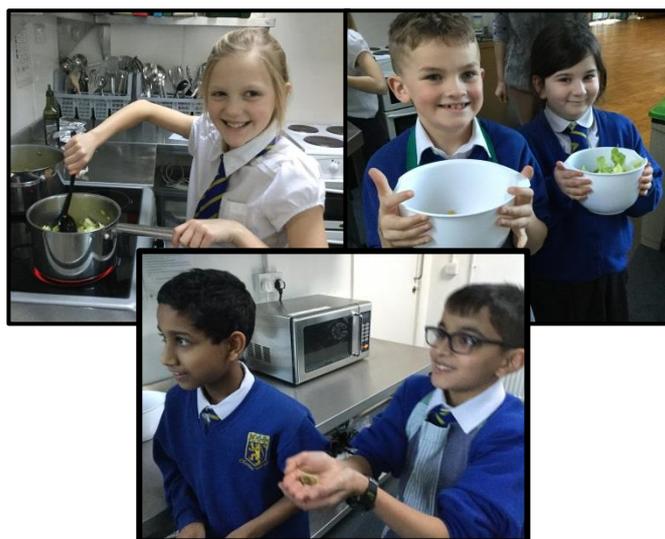
Eco Warriors

We held our Eco Warrior elections this week and once again staff were very impressed with all of the children who put themselves forward for election and delivered well thought out speeches. The children have been elected for a term so there will be another opportunity for those left disappointed to try again in the summer.

I would like to thank the Eco warriors who did a splendid job last term. Mrs Dinwiddy and I were very pleased when we paid the electricity bill last week to see that the amount of electricity we are using seems to be going down each month!

I would like to congratulate our new representatives

Reception	Teddy Vose
Year 1	Victor Scarpellini Lind
Year 2	Philip Whale
Year 3	Amelia Van Loosen
Year 4	Huw Mayes
Year 5	Anna Scarpellini Lind
Year 6	Henry Keen
Mentors	Jacob Boulter & Harvey Law



Cooking

This term the children will be cooking Minestrone soup on a Friday afternoon. To reduce the amount of single use plastic that we will need to use for children to bring their food home in we have purchased some reusable plastic boxes. Please wash and return the boxes to school on a Monday to ensure that the children cooking the next week will have a container to bring their food home in.

Play-House and Basketball Net

We no longer need the small yellow playhouse and basketball net that is in the reception outdoor area. If anyone would like either of them please could you contact the school office.

Mind up

The mind –Up training workshop for parents will be in the school hall on Monday morning from 9.00am -10.00am

Morning Drop- Off

In recent mornings there has been some congestion at the turning circle. Please can I respectfully remind parents that if you are going to use the turning circle in the morning you should pull up to the gate, let your child out of the car and then drive off. Mr Purvis will be at the gate from 8.40am to ensure children do not exit back through the gate. The first bell goes at 8.45am and then children can enter the school building. The gate opens at 8.35am and parents/carers are welcome to wait in the playground with their children until they can go into class at 8.45am, where a member of staff will be waiting for them. **Children must be in school by 8.55am when the second bell goes.** We will resume the daily mile as soon as the weather improves enough for it to be safe to do so.

Hot Lunches

Please note that a letter from Mrs. Dinwiddy was e-mailed to all EYFS and KS1 parents asking them to trial our new booking system for hot lunches. Please log into your ParentPay accounts this weekend to book your meals for next week. An e-mail was also sent to KS2 parents updating them on the new payment item for their meals. We expect the KS2 booking system to be available from 27th January (more information to follow). Please ask the office if you have any queries.

Message from Mrs Burchell

The PTA is looking for a Co-Secretary to join the team, if you are interested please contact Katy Williams or Catherine Crouch.

After school clubs are now up and running – spaces are still available for Drama Club, if you are interested please contact the club directly. If we don't have enough participants we may have to cancel this club.

WEEKLY CLASS ATTENDANCE

Van Gogh – 95%	Monet – 87%
Hockney – 95%	Hepworth – 94%

STARS OF THE WEEK

Van Gogh	Sonny McManus	Ethan Christian	Bryan Lea
Monet	Renee Gardeva	Rishabh Kumar	Gracie Thompson
Hockney	Fred Zahra	Aaron Rab	Jamie Fuchs
Hepworth	Chloe Hutton	Kiera James	Abdullah Salman

INDIVIDUAL CLASS NEWS

Van Gogh Class News

This week the children have been learning the properties of 2D shapes and are growing more confident with using different coins to pay for their snack.

Reading

As the children are becoming more confident with their reading, books we will now be changed on a Monday, Wednesday and Friday. Even though we encourage parents to read every night with their child, please do not rush through the books. We are happy to change the books as and when your child had finished reading them. Please remember to write a note in your child's reading record every time you read with them.

Library books this term will be changed every Friday. Please note that your child will not be able to bring another book home until they have returned ones borrowed previously.

Phonics: Please continue to work through the Jolly Phonics sounds, practice segmenting and blending to read and write CV and CVC words. This week we will continue to reinforce **l ll f ff s ss c k ck**. We will also be introducing **j v w x y z** and **ch sh th ng nk**.

Tricky Words: Set 1/2/3/4 on the high frequency list

Maths: Counting: Ordering and Recognising Numbers to 5/10/15/20
Counting on from a given number.
Looking at the value of a number and matching objects

Shape: Introducing 3D shapes. Please support your child by looking at 3D shapes in their environment.

Money: In our snack shop we are encouraging the children to pay for their snack using different coins.

Days of the week

Topic: This term our topic is Healthy Me. The children will be learning about keeping healthy, a good diet and personal hygiene.

REMINDER: Show & tell dates:

GREEN HOUSE	RED HOUSE	BLUE HOUSE	YELLOW HOUSE
x	x	17 th January	24 th January
31 st January	7 th February	14 th January	x

REMINDER: Upcoming Events:

Tuesday 21st January: Dance Festival @ Chalfont Community College

Thursday 30th January: Van Gogh & Monet Class Visit to Iver Environmental Centre

Tuesday 11th February: Work Share Evening

Stay & Read: Wednesday 12th February 2020 @ 9.15 – 10.30

Tinkerbell had a great time with Leo last weekend... let's see who the lucky person will be this week. Please remember she will have her own personal bag and a book with instructions explaining what you need to do. I hope you will use this opportunity to make the visit special so that your child can enjoy sharing their experiences with their peers on a Monday morning. Please note every child will get a turn to take her home.

We have a very busy Spring term ahead of us, should you wish to discuss any of the above please feel free to come and see me.

Mrs Sahotay ☺

Monet Class News

This week Monet will be continuing their topic work on Abodes.

In literacy they will be writing recounts of what they see on a nature walk and what creatures are living in the school grounds.

In phonics year 1 will be learning phase 5 sounds ay, ou, , ie and ea and learning to read tricky words oh, their and people.

In Maths Year 1 will be recognising the value of coins and using coins to add and subtract and to solve problems. Year 2 will continue to use number facts to add and subtract 2 digit numbers.

In science they will learn about the materials used for buildings and why certain materials are used for different purposes.

In geography they will be learning about where we live and the countries and capital cities of the UK.

In art and DT we will look at making miniature models of houses and rooms. Please could your child bring in a bag of recycled materials - different size and shape boxes, toilet rolls, pots etc for joining together to make miniature buildings.

Hockney Class News

In Maths next week the children will continue to focus on learning strategies and methods to solve division problems and multiplication problems.

In English, the children will continue to exploring what the features of legends are as well as further developing their descriptive writing skills.

In Science the children have started looking at the states of matter, having learnt about what solids, liquids and gasses are.

In History, the children have started to learn about the Anglo-Saxons, and we will be continuing looking that the life of the Anglo-Saxon invaders and settlers.

In Geography, children will continue learning about geographical features such as volcanoes, and events such as earthquakes and how these things are linked to the movement of tectonic plates.

In ICT children will continue learning how to code and sequence their instructions in order to get the result they want, and how to debug if they do not.

In PSHE the children will be learn more about their brains and how to be mindful in their environments.

Hepworth Class News

English

The children will be continuing with their work based on the e-book 'Animals on the Move'. They are working on producing written reports based on the migration of animals and have combined research and note-making to draft and begin their reports which they will continue with next week, before using their editing skills. The children will also be working on their grammar skills - looking at tenses and recognising different tense forms. All the grammar we have been working on builds into the writing process; please encourage your children to explain what they know and how to use these elements, when they are referred to in homework.

Maths

In Maths we will begin the week looking at division of decimals numbers. We will then move onto scaling up and down, using multiplication and division. Towards the end of the week we will be applying the hard work that the children have put in over the past few months in their work on the four operations and we will be completing multi-step word problems that use all four of these operations.

Science

Our unit about evolution and inheritance has begun well. Next week we will focus more on the adaptations made by plants and animals to survive. We will then design our own animal with different characteristics needed to survive certain conditions.

Topic

The children will be continuing to find out more about Mexico by looking at some of the fiestas and the human geography behind these. We were particularly pleased with the children's willingness to try the guacamole that they made this week and with the enthusiasm they put into making it. Recipes have been sent home should they wish to make it again with you!

In PE we are continuing with Basketball and Gymnastics.

If the weather continues to be wet and miserable, the Natural History Museum in either Tring or London is a great place for the children to find out more about some of the animals they have studied in English and also links to our work in Science!

Diary Dates for 2019 – 2020 *new dates in green*

Monday 20 th January	Mind-UP workshop 9am – 10am
Tuesday 21 st January	Reception Dance at The Chalfonts Community College 12.30-2.30pm
Thursday 30 th January	VG & Monet trip to Iver Environmental Centre
Tuesday 11 th February	Work Share Evening 3.30pm-5pm
Wednesday 12 th February	EYFS Stay & Read 9am
Monday 17th February-Friday 21st February	Half Term
Saturday 29th February	PTA Quiz Night
Thursday 5 th March	World Book Day (Dress up as a book character)
Friday 6 th March	EYFS Spring Walk 9am
Wednesday 11 th March	Hepworth Tag Rugby at The Misbourne 1pm-3pm
Friday 20 th March	Mums in School Afternoon 12pm - 3.15pm
Monday 30 th March	Mid-Year Reports will be sent home to parents
Tuesday 31 st March	Hockney - Tri Golf at The Misbourne
Thursday 2 April	PTA School Disco 6pm - 7pm R & KS1 / 7pm - 8pm KS2
Friday 3rd April	Term Ends at 1.30pm
Monday 20th April	Children Return to School
Saturday 25th April	PTA Grown Up Disco
Wednesday 29 th April	Monet - Athletics at The Misbourne 1pm-3pm
Thursday 30 th April	Hepworth Parents Sex Education and PGL Information Evening
Tuesday 5 th May	Hockney – Cricket at Chiltern Hills Academy
Friday 8th May	Early May Bank Holiday – School Closed
Tuesday 12 th May	Hockney –Swimming Gala 9am-11am
Saturday 16th May	PTA Duck Race
Monday 18 th May-Friday 22 nd May	Y5/6 PGL Residential Trip
Monday 25th May-Friday 29th May	Half Term
Tuesday 2 nd June	EYFS Stay & Get Physical
Wednesday 3 rd June	Monet Games day at The Misbourne 9.30am-2.30pm
Thursday 11 th June	Work Share Evening 3.30-5pm Y5 Parents Secondary Transfer Information Evening 6pm
Saturday 13th June	PTA Chesham Carnival
Thursday 25 th June	Sports Day 1pm
Thursday 2 nd July	Reserve Sports Day 1pm
Wednesday 8 th July	KS2 Summer Production 2pm KS2 Summer Production 7pm
Thursday 9 th July	KS2 Summer Production 7pm
Friday 10 th July	EYFS Stay for Breakfast 9am End of Year Attainment Reports will be sent home
Friday 17 th July	Leaver’s Assembly 11am School Picnic 12.15pm-1.15pm Term Ends for Children 1.30pm