

Chenies School Newsletter

Friday 6 March 2020

Headteacher's News

World Book Day

Thank you to everyone for your participation in our day of dressing up as a book character for World Book Day. The children all enjoyed the opportunity to work in their house groups. Everyone demonstrated the habit of mind of creativity and innovation that we are focussing on this term to create sculptures, pirate songs and stories. It really was a lovely day and I hope that you will continue the theme of sharing stories at home. Please remember to use your World Book Day token to obtain one of the free books or use it towards another book of your child's choice.



Mrs Wilson has informed me that there are quite a lot of books outstanding on children's library tickets. We would be grateful if you could have a look at home and return any that children have finished reading.



Today Van-Gogh got the opportunity to spend some time reading with Hockney class.

Sports Relief

Since 2002, millions of pounds have been raised for Sports Relief to help hundreds of thousands of people in the UK and overseas. Sports Relief is all about using the amazing power of sport to raise life-changing money and take on some of the world's biggest issues.

The areas they focus their efforts on are:

- Tackling homelessness
- Protecting children's futures
- Fighting fear, violence and discrimination
- Championing mental health

At Chenies, we have decided to support this cause next Wednesday (11th March). We would like the **children to come to school in their PE kit** for the day and take part in sporting events. Hepworth and Hockney will spend the morning in their house teams, participating in activities: Van Gogh and Monet will do the same for the afternoon. Mr Malik has put together a series of activities that will further develop the skills learned in PE lessons so far this year.

We will be holding a collection for this charity on behalf of Chenies School, so please send in a donation, if you wish, with your child on Wednesday. There will be collection pots in their classrooms.

Netball Tournament

Our Year 5 and 6 netball team participated in three more matches in their league tournament on Tuesday at Chiltern Hills Academy. They played with determination and great sportsmanship, as always. Sadly, they did not win any games, but two of the three games were very close. Rosie Pluck was a goal scorer this week. The girls had different captains and vice captains across the three games which were Chloe Hutton, Rosie Pluck and Eva Teruggi, giving each of these girls an opportunity to develop their leadership skills within a team. All the girls played well and have developed skills for competitive play.

Ella Thornberry was undoubtedly our player of the day. In each game she defended well; intercepting balls and marking players, she also showed her skills at spacing, passing and working within the team, whichever position she was asked to play - well done Ella!

The tournament will continue next Tuesday - remember your coats, gloves, drink and snack girls.

Recycling Batteries

We are now recycling batteries in school and they can be put in the designated battery collection container at the recycling station in the main cloakroom.

Reminder - Pineapple

One of the children in our school is allergic to pineapple and even coming into contact with residue left on a table causes him to be unwell. We would therefore be grateful if you could avoid putting pineapple into lunch boxes, please.

KS2 End of Year Production

Please note we have cancelled the 2.00pm production on the 8th July and it will now take place at 2.00pm on Thursday 9th July, instead. The evening performances are still at 7.00pm on Wednesday 8th and Thursday 9th July.

Coronavirus

We are continuing to remind the children of the importance of hygiene and ensuring we follow the advice given by Public Health England. Additional information that has been given to schools can be found as follows:

The Department for Education has launched a Coronavirus helpline to answer questions about COVID-19 related to education. Staff, parents and young people can contact the helpline as follows:

Phone: 0800 046 8687

Email: DfE.coronavirushelpline@education.gov.uk

Opening hours: 8am to 6pm (Monday to Friday)

Where to find the latest information, updates on COVID-19:

- <https://www.gov.uk/coronavirus>

Guidance for educational settings:

- <https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/guidance-to-educational-settings-about-covid-19>

Travel advice for those travelling and living overseas:

- <https://www.gov.uk/guidance/travel-advice-novel-coronavirus>

WEEKLY CLASS ATTENDANCE

Van Gogh – 100%	Monet – 97%
Hockney – 97%	Hepworth – 93%

STARS OF THE WEEK

Van Gogh	Freddie Sowden	Mia Driscoll	Theodora Vose
Monet	Oliver Barnes	Rebecca Crouch	Jackson Nicholls
Hockney	Dexter Jemmett	Huw Mayes	Sienna Jemmett
Hepworth	Harley Harris	Emily Coleman	Rosie Pluck

INDIVIDUAL CLASS NEWS

Van Gogh Class News

We have had a great week with the children creating their own Easter Egg treasure map and as a class making up silly stories.

The children all looked amazing on World Book Day and had lots of fun going around the different activities in house groups.

Reading

The children will be coming home with their reading books on Monday. We have invested in some new books that will also support the children learning their phonics and tricky words. As a fresh start I have included a list of phonic sets within phase 2/3, tricky words and a note for each child with a personal target. The target will be reviewed every couple of weeks depending on how the children progress with their phonics.

As a part of the transition process, we will be putting out a tray so that the children can become more independent in taking the reading books/records out of their books bag every day.

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.

Maths: Counting: We will be continuing to look at addition and subtraction using apparatus

Shape: We will be learning about sequencing events/instructions.

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

Days of the week

Topic: People Who Help Us

REMINDER: Show & tell dates:

GREEN HOUSE	RED HOUSE	BLUE HOUSE	YELLOW HOUSE
3 rd April	x	x	x
x	13 th March	20 th March	27 th March

Upcoming Events

Stay & Play Spring Walk Friday 13th March 2020 (9.15 – 10.30)

Mum's in School Day Friday 20th March 2020 (Afternoon)

Mrs Sahotay 😊

Monet Class News

In literacy we will be continuing to explore and learn about features of non-fiction books and will be gathering information to write about unusual homes around the world.

In maths year 1 will be investigating numbers and number bonds and solving problems. Year 2 will be working on using arrays to work out multiplication and division.

Topic work will be focussed on learning about Victorian homes from the past and in Science we will be learning more about animal food chains and sorting animals into groups of omnivores, carnivores and herbivores.

We have an exciting week planned for PE. The children will take part in an inter-house sports event at school. Please make sure your child comes to school wearing their PE kit on Wednesday.

Hockney Class News

In English the children will continue looking at the Shang Dynasty of ancient China, learning how to find and record facts, as well as looking at using nouns and pronouns.

In maths we have started at looking at measuring, more specifically measuring lengths.

Next week in Science the children will be learning about plants and what they need in order to grow.

In PSHE, as part of their MindUp lessons, the children will look at other people's perceptions.

In ICT they will be learning to create pieces of digital art.

Hepworth Class News

Next week in English we will be continuing with our work using the Alex Rider texts as a stimulus. The children have enjoyed this work so far and we hope they will continue to produce some good pieces of writing. We will be looking at speech (including how to punctuate this correctly) and then starting to write our own stories. We will also be doing some focused work on using apostrophes correctly.

In Maths, we will be looking at prime and square numbers. We will also begin to calculate area and perimeter. We will investigate these further by looking at irregular shapes and composite shapes. In our shape work we will be investigating 2D shapes including circles as well as calculating missing angles.

In Topic we are finding out more about the everyday life of the Maya people, focusing on the importance of music and then learning about the modern culture and struggles of the Maya people.

In Science we will be learning about how we can separate materials using different methods eg filtering, magnets, sieving.

We will also be singing more to learn the rest of the songs for the InConcert musical festival.

On Wednesday, for Sport Relief day, please ensure that your child comes to school wearing their full Chenies PE kit, along with a jumper and tracksuit, if needed for our afternoon of tag rugby at The Misbourne.

Please let the office know if your child is going home from the event with someone other than you.

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

Wednesday 11 th March	Sport Relief 2020 Hepworth Tag Rugby at The Misbourne 1pm-3pm
Friday 13 th March	EYFS Spring Walk 9am
Friday 20 th March	Mums in School Afternoon 12pm - 3.15pm
Monday 23 rd March	Dogs Trust in school
Tuesday 24 th March	Hepworth – Rehearsal for Music Festival – 9am @ Elangeni School
Wednesday 25 th March	Hockney – Chiltern Open Air Museum
Monday 30 th March	Mid-Year Reports will be sent home
Tuesday 31 st March	Hepworth – Inconcert Music Festival
Thursday 2 April	Bikeability Level 1 Cycle Training – Y3/Y4 PTA School Disco 6pm - 7pm R & KS1 / 7pm - 8pm KS2
Friday 3rd April	PTA Film Club 1.30 – 3.15pm 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
Thursday 14 th May	Hockney – Science Museum Trip
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 7pm
Thursday 9 th July	KS2 Summer Production 2pm 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

Monday 20th & Tuesday 21st July – Inset Days

TERM DATES FOR SCHOOL YEAR 2020 / 2021

Autumn Term 2020

Inset Day	Tuesday 1 st September
Inset Day	Wednesday 2 nd September
Terms Starts	Thursday 3 rd September
Half Term	26 th – 30 th October
Inset Day	Monday 2 nd November
Term Ends	Friday 18 th December

Spring Term 2021

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

Summer Term 2021

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