

Chenies School Newsletter

11th June 2021

Headteacher's News

We have all enjoyed the sun this week but I have been concerned by the number of children not wearing sun hats. As the temperature is set to increase next week please ensure that you have applied sun cream to your child before school and that they bring in their water bottle and **NAMED** sun hat. If you would like your child to apply sun cream during the day then they can bring in a **named** bottle of sun cream that they can put in their tray and apply themselves before lunch.

Class Photos

Class photographs will be taken on **Monday** 14th June. Please ensure your child is in correct school uniform and looking smart!

Parent Survey

You should have received a parent survey this morning. Thank you to all those parents who have already completed and submitted a response. Your views are extremely important to us as we seek to develop the school. I would be grateful if you could complete one survey for each child you have in school, as each of your children will experience things differently.

Non-Uniform Day

As England will be playing in the Euros next Friday we have decided to mark the event by holding a non-uniform day. Children are welcome to come to school in their football kit or red, white and blue. I will have a collecting bucket at the gate and if you would like to make a non-uniform day donation to our school funds you are most welcome to!

Latest COVID 19 Advice

Public Health Buckinghamshire have issued advice this week stating that all schools should continue working as we were before half term and not lift any bubble restrictions. In light of this advice the rehearsal for the Echoes concert which Hepworth class were due to attend at Kings Church next week has been cancelled and therefore the children will be remaining in school on Tuesday. At the moment the Echoes event in July is still scheduled to take place. I will of course keep you informed of any further information as I receive updates.

Sports Day

I can now confirm that we will hold a sports day event in school on Wednesday 7th July for the children. In light of the latest Buckinghamshire Public Health advice to schools it will be in class bubbles and consequently we are unable to invite parents to attend. I am sorry for the disappointment that I know this will cause.

Leaver's Barbecue

We will be holding a leaver's barbecue, games and campfire evening for our Year 6 children on Monday 19th July from 5.30 - 8pm.



Happy Birthday

Anna – 11th June

Joseph – 14th June



ECO NEWS from Mrs Walker

Thank you to everyone who collected a lot of rubbish when they did a litter pick. Well done. As you can see from the photographs Little Chalfont looks much cleaner now and the Scottish beach at Lundin Links, looks spotless!

These pictures are already up on the Eco board however there is still time to do a litter pick and send a photo to the office. If you forgot to take a photo, you can draw a picture or write about your litter pick for the Eco board. Some prizes will be given next week!



Message from Judith Palfreman

Chenies School invites you to join the SIMPLE ACTS MOVEMENT during Refugee Week (13-20 June 2021) and help raise awareness and funds for refugees.

In previous years, children from across the villages have delighted local commuters at Chorleywood Station with their Pop-Up Café and SIMPLE ACT OF KINDNESS Gift of Cream Tea, raising an incredible £17,000 so far.

During Refugee Week this year, the Pop-Up Cafe will be appearing all over the place, and on Tuesday 15th June it is coming to Chenies School!

Your child/ren can GIFT A FREE CREAM TEA FOR TWO to someone they love.

It's very simple:

1. Sign up using [this form](#) to order "THE GIFT OF A CREAM TEA" - a delicious cream tea of two scones, strawberry jam and a pot of clotted cream
2. Parents collect their gift(s) from outside Chenies School after school on 15th June.
3. After collection, children are encouraged to write a message of kindness or hope on the gift packaging
4. Deliver the gift to your chosen recipient or share!

In the spirit of the Pop-Up Café, we are giving "The Gift of Cream Tea" away FREE OF CHARGE - we simply invite you to make a donation to Safe Passage, if you would like to, either at the point of collection, or at: <https://www.justgiving.com/fundraising/chorleywood-pop-up-for-refugees>

Have a lovely weekend and enjoy the sunshine.

Suzanne Powell

STARS OF THE WEEK

Van Gogh	Oliver	Beatrix
Monet	Omansa	Ciaran
Hockney	Jackson	Amelia
Hepworth	Dexter	Albie

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. Our key focus is learning alternative sounds...

ai	ay	a-e	oy	oi	
igh	-	i-e	ir	ur	er
air	are		ee	ea	
ow	oa	o-e	or	aw	
ew		u-e	ou	ow	

Reading: We will be doing reading and phonics assessments over the next couple of weeks. Books will continue to be collected on a Friday and sent out on a Monday. Please continue to read and share books with your child daily.

Maths: The children have had great fun measuring this week. We introduced standard and non-standard measures and looked at all the different forms of measure, e.g. weight, capacity, time, length etc. We will be continuing to applying our knowledge and understanding of number, space, shape and measure to solve problems, explain and show our methods.

Our focus this term is TRANSITION. We will be talking a lot about moving up to Monet Class and hopefully visiting the class and meeting the children in year one who we will be joining. As a part of the transition, Ms Blakeley will be spending an hour a week with the children doing art starting the week of the 21st June. This will give them the opportunity for her to get to know them but most importantly for them to get to know her. We will make this an exciting and positive time for the children but do let me know if your child raises any concerns at home about the transition so that we can address them in school.

SHOW & TELL DATES:

Blue House	18 th June 2021
Red House	25 th June 2021
Yellow House	9 th July 2021

Reminder: We have spent a lot of time outside this week learning. Please ensure that your child is wearing sun cream as we are unable to apply it. Also please could you make sure they have a sun hat and a water bottle in addition to the drink they have in their packed lunch.

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

Next week during the mornings we will be assessing the children in Reading, Writing and Maths.

We will also be finding out about different types of housing in and around the local area and looking at microhabitats in the school grounds. In PSHE we will be thinking about changes as we grow up and new opportunities, focusing on thinking ahead to a new class and setting goals.

This week in DT we discovered how to make our own felt and designed our own butterflies. We will be making our felt butterflies next week. To make felt, your child will be using water with a very small amount of washing up liquid added. If your child is sensitive to washing up liquid please let us know. We will rinse our hands thoroughly after. It would be helpful if your child could also bring in a plastic food bag for the felt making process.

Please return reading books on a Friday. New reading books will either be sent home on a Monday or Tuesday for the rest of this term.

Home learning can be found on Google Classroom this week.

Have a lovely weekend,

Miss Blakeley

Hockney

Next week will be assessment week for the children, and as such there will not be any formal maths and English lessons.

In science they will continue learning about the human body. We will be recapping the functions of the digestive system organs, and move on to looking at teeth, as well as discussing oral hygiene and the importance of it.

In topic they will continue looking at the Romans, learning about Roman towns, their design and structure. As part of topic, they will also continue with learning about modern day Italy, locating it on a map and comparing it to the UK.

In ICT they will be making their first digital animation project, creating a short stick figure animation, using the principles of animation that they have learned from making their flipbook drawings.

Mrs Wilson really enjoyed working with Hockney this week and the children did some great work learning about identity and all the wonderful different things that make up each of us. We will continue this work next week finding out more about identities and thinking about how we can recognise and respect how others may express their individuality and personal qualities.

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

It has been a great start to the final half term of this academic year and the children have come back refreshed and ready to learn. They seem to have had a lovely time during the break and it was lovely to hear about what they've been up to.

Next week is our assessment week. This is a great opportunity for the children to have the chance to show off what they've learned over the last year as well as the knowledge they have built up over KS2.

In English they will complete Reading, Writing and SPAG tests as well as a test of the statutory spelling words for year 5 and 6.

In Maths they will complete arithmetic and reasoning papers.

There is no need for your child to spend time revising for these assessments - it is more important that they have time to relax at home and get a good night's sleep!

During the week the children will be doing singing practice as often as possible in preparation for our Royal Albert Hall concert. Our cricket, tennis and athletics sessions for PE will continue on Tuesday and Wednesday. We will continue our map skills work in Topic and complete our own maps, using grid references. We will be learning about food in Spanish: our likes and dislikes and thinking about what we would add to a lunchbox. Mr F will be taking Science again and the children will be investigating heat insulation. Our PSHE lesson will involve learning about how money can be gained or lost e.g. stolen, through scams or gambling and how these put people at financial risk. We also have the opportunity to do some music work in a steel drum session and we may even squeeze in some of our computing work doing some coding.

We hope you have a lovely weekend and enjoy the sunshine!

Mrs Tillyer and Mrs Wilson

TERM DATES FOR SCHOOL YEAR 2021 / 2022

Spring Term 2021

Inset Day
Term Starts
Half Term
Term Ends

Monday 4th January
Tuesday 5th January
15th – 19th February
Thursday 1st April @ 1.30pm

Summer Term 2021

Inset Day
Term Starts
Half Term
Term Ends

Monday 19th April
Tuesday 20th April
31st May – 4th June
Wednesday 21st July @ 1.30pm

Autumn Term 2021

Inset Day
Inset Day
Term Starts
Half Term
Inset Day
Term Ends

Wednesday 1st September
Thursday 2nd September
Friday 3rd September
25th – 29th October
Monday 1st November
Friday 17th December @1.30pm

Spring Term 2022

Inset Day
Term Starts
Half Term
Term Ends

Tuesday 4th January
Wednesday 5th January
21st – 25th February
Friday 8th April @ 1.30pm

Summer Term 2022

Term Starts
Half Terms
Inset Day
Term Ends

Monday 25th April
30th May – 3rd June
Monday 6th June
Thursday 21st July @ 1.30pm