

Chenies School Newsletter

12th November 2021

Headteacher's News

Anti-Bullying week

Next week is anti-bullying week. 'One Kind Word' has been chosen as this year's theme and we will be discussing this with the children through the week. On Monday we would like the children to come to school in odd socks, as the week begins with odd socks day.

Children in Need

The school council have decided that to raise money for children in need they would like everyone to come to school in bright clothes on Friday and hold a cake sale. We will have a bucket at the gate on Friday morning for donations and Hepworth class will be running the cake sale from 3pm-3.30pm. Hepworth class would appreciate it if you can send in cakes for them to sell on Friday. If you are sending homemade cakes in please can you include a list of the ingredients used so that we can display them alongside the cakes.

Workshare Evening

On Thursday you are welcome to visit your child's classroom, look at the work in their books and discuss it with them between 3.15pm and 5pm. This is a lovely opportunity for your child to talk to you about their learning and share their achievements with you. Class teachers will be present in the classroom but they will not be able to discuss your child's individual progress. If you need to have a further discussion with your child's class teacher, for any reason, please arrange an appointment with them for another time.

Christmas Lunch

Christmas lunch is being held this year on Wednesday 15th December. Please make your booking on ParentPay specifying your child's choice of meal no later than **6th December** so we can order the correct number of meals. If your child does not wish to have the Christmas lunch or their order is not received by 6th December, they will need to bring in a packed lunch. Please note on Wednesday 8th December there is a change to the menu, lunch is now pasta and not roast chicken.

Message from the PTA

The Annual General Meeting of the PTA will be held in the school hall at 6pm on Thursday 18th November. We need a minimum attendance of 21 non committee members for the meeting to be allowed to go ahead so please do come along if you can.

The PTA is a vital funding source for many subscriptions, activities and equipment for all the children and we run fun events throughout the year. During the meeting, we will present on the funds raised and what these have gone towards for the school. We also seek new committee members and there are lots of opportunities for parents to get involved.

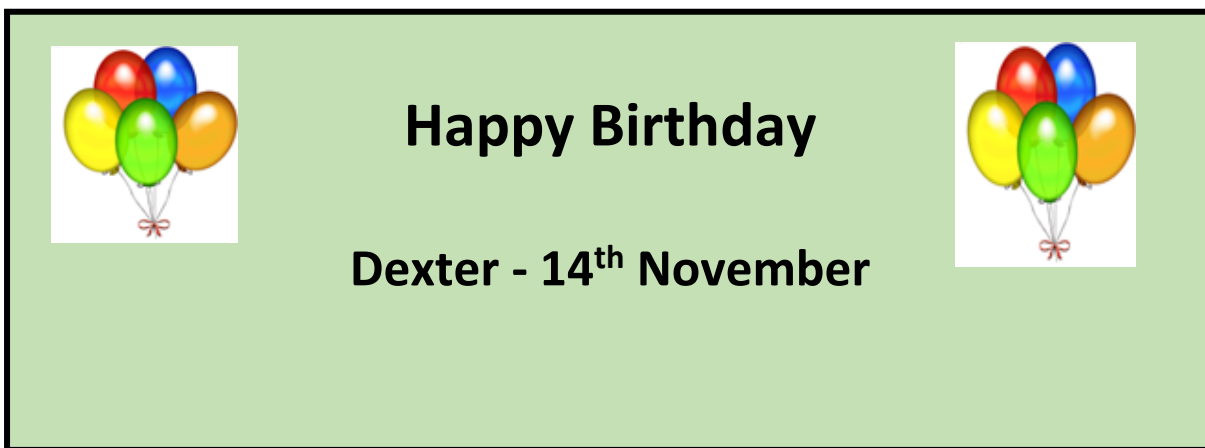
Reminder all Christmas card forms need to be returned back to the office no later than **Wednesday 17th November**.

Please remember!

Monday 15th November: Wear odd socks day
Wednesday 17th November: Roving Book Fair 8.30am - 9.30am and 2.30pm - 4.30pm
Thursday 18th November: Monet Multi-skills event at DCHS
Hepworth to visit Holdenby House
Workshare evening
Friday 18th November: Children In Need & Hepworth cake sale

I wish you all a very enjoyable weekend.

Suzanne Powell



Van Gogh	Electra	Jia
Monet	Barnaby	Joseph
Hockney	Ethan B	Isobel
Hepworth	Evie-May	Anisha

Class News

Van Gogh

Hope you have all had a good week!

We have had a busy week preparing for the Remembrance Assembly, learning a poem and making handprint poppies. The children have met number three and look forward to meeting number four next week.

Reading Pack: All the children have now received their reading pack which includes information on how you can help your child with their reading. I have also included a number line, list of 2D/3D shapes, phonics sounds with rhymes and tricky words. This information is for you to keep at home to support your child. The game with sounds and tricky words will be sent out weekly as and when we learn them. These once again are for you to cut up and use as flashcards etc. If you are not sure about any of the information you received, please feel free to contact me.

Phonics

The children are doing well with segmenting and blending, hearing initial/middle/end sounds and rhyme. We will continue to consolidate Phase 1 and would appreciate if you could continue to work with the children on their Phase 1 targets.

To support reading the children will be learning to sight read the tricky words alongside the sounds. Please use the material sent home last week in their reading pack to continue to reinforce these.

Maths

We have continued to work on mathematical vocabulary related to addition, learning how to read/write simple number sentences and make up stories using objects and drawings.

This week we will be chanting numbers to 10/20 and will be introducing:

Conservation of a number: Number of objects in a set does not change even when they are moved around.

Composition of a number: Number are made of two or more other smaller numbers involving a 'part' and a 'whole'. Learning to 'see' a whole number and its parts at the same time.

Subitise: Look at a group of objects and realise how many there are without counting.

- Number 4
- Counting out three - Matching numerals to written and spoken numerals – Rectangle (two long straight sides, two short straight sides and four corners) – Square (four straight sides and four corners) - Using/adding different combination of coins to make 4p – ordinal numbers 4th – Number formation - 4 'o'clock.
- Children count 1-10 on a number track (Can say one more/less than a number)
- Days of the week – what come before... what comes after...?

Topic

This week we have been talking about how different jobs require us to work through the day and night. Next week we will be learning about the importance of 'light' in different cultural celebrations.

REMINDERS:

READING BOOKS: Apologies... all reading books should be returned on Friday NOT Monday.

SHOW & TELL DATES: Thursday 18th November – Green House

ROVINGS BOOK SHOP: Wednesday 17th November – A great opportunity to get your Christmas shopping in early.

STAY AND PLAY: Tuesday 30th November at 1.45

JUNK MODELLING: Thank you for all the junk modelling materials. We have enough at the moment to keep us going!

Once again thank you for your ongoing support! Should you have any further queries or concerns please do not hesitate to contact me.

Mrs Sahotay 😊

Monet

I was very proud of all the children in Monet Class this week for learning and reciting their Remembrance poem so beautifully in our assembly on Thursday. Well done to them all! Next week in English we will be looking at the features of fact files and instructions by thinking about 'What is the best job?'. Perhaps the children could have a think and discuss this with you over the weekend and bring along some ideas next week.

In Maths we will be revising 2D shapes, using Venn diagrams to sort and using a 100 square to add and subtract.

In Phonics we will be focusing on reading and spelling words with split digraphs (a_e, e_e, i_e, o_e, u_e).

In Geography we will be thinking about bird's eye views and making a plan of our classroom. We will also continue to practise our lines and songs for our Christmas Play. On Thursday afternoon we will be taking part in a Multi Skills event at Dr Challoner's High School. Please make sure your child has a waterproof and a water bottle. They will all need a packed lunch that day.

Home learning is on Google Classroom.

Have a lovely weekend,

Miss Blakeley

Hockney

Next week is going to be a really busy and exciting week within Hockney class as we will be welcoming an interactive visit from the Oxford Ashmolean museum into our classroom! This special visit on Thursday will focus on the different Ancient Egyptian artefacts within the Ashmolean, with us trying to work out what each artefact is for. We will also have the opportunity to make some Ancient Egyptian toys from clay under the expert guidance of the museum. We shall then have a work share evening on Thursday where the children will be able to share with you all they have learnt and hopefully their clay toys too.

Next week is Anti-bullying week and this shall be our focus within our PSHE lesson. We will be learning about the importance of using kind words and how important it is to stand up for each other. We will be thinking about how we can help ourselves and others who may be being bullied.

In English next week we are beginning to think about writing our own non-fiction texts. We will be learning about the importance of paragraphs in organising our understanding and how breaking text up into appropriately grouped bits of information all works to add to our understanding.

In Computing we will continue to look at the different ways in which children can safely communicate with one another, as this is such a prominent part of our lives. We will be looking at email and other types of online platforms and continue our work on understanding what is and is not an appropriate comment.

We have come to the end of our focus on Bob Marley, with the children performing an excellent instrumental accompaniment to his song 'Three Little Birds'. The children were tasked with picking appropriate instruments that would enhance the rhythm of the piece and add to the tone of the song. They did an excellent job!

We hope you have a lovely weekend,

Mrs Whittingham & Miss Groves

Hepworth

The excitement is mounting now for our class trip to Holdenby House next Thursday. Please remember that we need Hepworth Class in school by **8.20am, ready to leave at 8.30am**. They should arrive in costume, in the role of an evacuee in 1942. All children also need a water bottle and packed lunch for the trip.

English

We will be completing our 'What is Blood for?' unit next week. Our focus will be around report writing and creating our own page that could be added to the Ebook. We will explore and use the features of report writing to write in the same style as the text and enhance our non-fiction writing. In SPAG we will focus on using brackets, dashes and commas for parenthesis. Our spelling rule is the suffix 'tion' and our 5 extra focus words are: college competent convenience curiosity diamond

Maths

We will begin the week by completing our work on subtraction and how we calculate giving change, when using money. Our learning focus will then shift to multiplication strategies and we will be developing our knowledge of using short multiplication.

Regular, 'little and often' times table learning will be key in helping the children succeed here. On our Google Classroom page, there are links to games that can help.

Other subjects

Year 6 will continue to develop their sewing skills on Monday afternoon and learn some wartime songs and the importance of music during WWII, ahead of our visit to Holdenby House on Thursday, In Spanish we will be learning more about music and expressing our likes and dislikes. Science next week will see us learning about and describing the ways nutrients and water are transported through the body. In computing we will be using software to begin record radio adverts. Our PE lessons will involve us doing more of our Lindy Hop moves. RE this week sees us continuing to explore the question of whether we can live in harmony with different religions.

Year 5 will have Forest School on Monday afternoon, and should be dressed in school uniform on the top half of their body with leggings or jogging bottoms on the lower half. They will need outdoor shoes that are not their school shoes with them too, which may get muddy.

Please remember that if you have any questions about any of the above to either speak to one of us on the playground or send an email to the school office.

Have a lovely weekend,

Mrs Tillyer and Mrs Wilson

Diary Dates for 2021 – 2022

Monday 15 th November	Anti-Bullying Week – wear odd socks
Wednesday 17 th November	Rovings Book Fair – all day
Thursday 18 th November	Hepworth trip to Holdenby House
Thursday 18 th November	Monet Multiskills Event at Dr Challoner's
Thursday 18 th November	Work Share Evening 3.30pm-5pm
Friday 19 th November	Children In Need Hepworth cake sale 3pm – 3.30pm
Wednesday 24th November	PTA Wreath Workshop
Tuesday 30 th November	EYFS Stay & Play 1.45pm
Friday 3rd December	PTA Non-Uniform Day
Saturday 4 th December	PTA Christmas Fair 12pm – 3pm
Wednesday 8 th December	EYFS and KS1 Christmas Production 2pm
Thursday 9 th December	EYFS and KS1 Christmas Production 9.30am
Friday 10 th December	Christmas Craft Day
Monday 13 th December	West End in Schools - Pantomime Dance Workshop
Wednesday 15 th December	Christmas Lunch Day
Wednesday 15 th December	Class Christmas Parties
Thursday 16 th December	KS2 Carol Concert 2pm KS2 Carol Concert 6pm
Friday 17 th December	Term Ends 1.30pm