

Chenies School Newsletter

28th May 2021

Headteacher's News

The children have worked incredibly hard this half term and I am really pleased that so many children are demonstrating the habit of minds of perseverance and taking responsible risks. We really do encourage children to recognise their own personal achievements and progress as being what matters and not what they have achieved in relation to other children. This week each of the KS2 children enjoyed being able to choose a new book for the school library, it was good to see their enthusiasm about reading for pleasure!

PE – Change of days

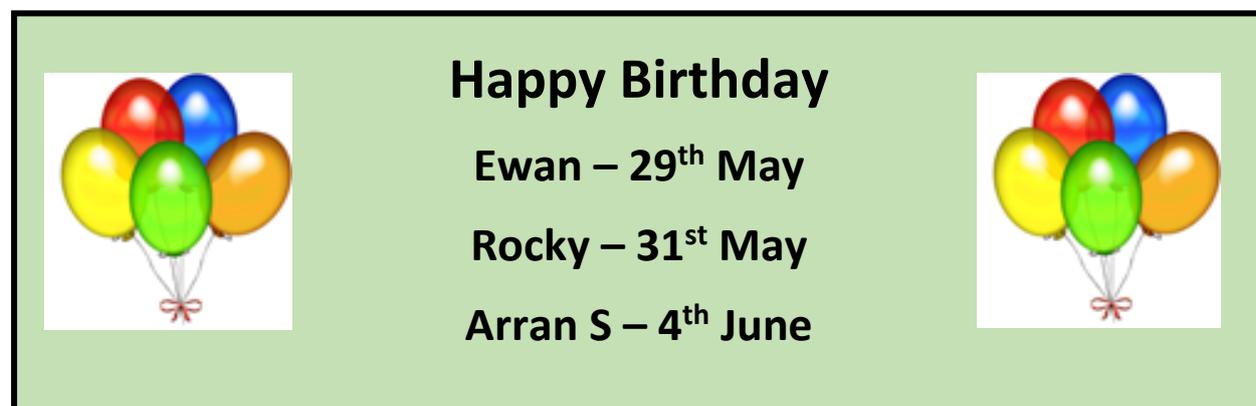
We are very fortunate to have been able to arrange for Buckinghamshire Cricket Board to come in every Tuesday after half term and lead cricket sessions with each of our classes. The whole school should come to school in their **PE kit on a Tuesday and Wednesday** now and ordinary school uniform for the rest of the week.

Forest School

After half term Year 1 will have one more week of forest school and then it will be the turn of Year 2 until the end of summer term.

Covid-19

If your child tests positive for Covid-19 over the bank holiday weekend, please email office@chenies.bucks.sch.uk.



Swimming lessons

One of our local Swim Schools and also a member of the Bucks Swim Focus Group is offering 1-2-1 swimming lessons during May half term for children over the age of 5 years. I've attached a letter with more details. If you have further queries, please contact office@neilbaileyswimming.co.uk

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>

ECO NEWS - Great British Clean Up

We hope you will find time to do or join a litter pick at half term. Send in a photo, draw a picture or write about it, to go on the Eco board.

Have fun and feel good!

Eco warriors

I do hope that you all have an enjoyable half term, it even looks as though the weather might be getting warmer!

Suzanne Powell

STARS OF THE WEEK

Van Gogh	Omar	Aggie
Monet	Sonny	Teddy
Hockney	Oliver B	Evie-May
Hepworth	Daniel C	Nadinsa

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 collecting the books in on Friday. Please continue to read and share books with your child daily. After half term we will go back to sending books home on a Monday and to be returned on a Friday.

Math: Next term we start to embed our learning by 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 Blakley will be spending an hour a week with the children doing art. This will give them the opportunity for her to get to know them but most importantly for them to get to know her.

SHOW & TELL DATES:

Green House	11 th June 2021
Blue House	18 th June 2021
Red House	25 th June 2021
Yellow House	9 th July 2021

Reminder: Please make sure that your child has a coat in school every day.

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

We've had a great week experimenting with printing, making our Beatrix Potter leaflets and talking about positive playground behaviour, kindness and feelings.

After Half Term we will be writing recounts, finding out about different environments and places to live in English/Geography and learning about habitats in Science. We will also be beginning a fun textiles topic.

In Maths we will be focusing on place value, adding coins and finding change. Please also keep practising counting in 2s, 5s and 10s.

Have a lovely Half Term,

Miss Blakeley

Hockney

Half-term break is here! Hope you all are able to have a restful and enjoyable one.

After half-term, in English we will be starting our new unit, looking at non-fiction texts, with a focus on geography. By the end of this unit, they will be able to write an informative text answering the questions "Where is the best place to live in the world?"

In math we are going to continue looking at the properties of shapes, and move on to geometry in relation to position and direction.

We will be finishing our living things and habitats topic in Science, and moving on to looking in more depth at animals and the human body, learning about the digestive system.

In topic we will continue looking at the Romans. They learning about Hadrian's Wall.

To tie into the history, they will also start their Geography topic, looking at modern European countries, starting with Italy.

In ICT, they will start their animation lessons, first by looking at the history on animation and how it exactly works.

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

Well done to all of Hepworth for making it through to the end of this half term! It's been a busy one, with lots of hard work, laughs and moments we can feel proud of.

We are very much looking forward to the next half term - the last one at Chenies for our year six children - and we know that there will be lots more happy moments and achievements then too.

After half term our timetable will begin to vary a lot more from week to week. In our first week back we will complete our maths curriculum rounding off statistics and shape alongside arithmetic revision and general reasoning and problem work.

We are really excited to be taking part in two virtual parliament sessions. The first is on Monday 7th June, which is an introduction to parliament. The second is on Thursday and this covers 'Laws and Debating'. Our English work will follow on from these sessions.

On Wednesday we have our final art lesson with Miss Blakely doing a final set of prints. Please ensure you have sent your child in with protective clothing as the ink will stain.

Our Science lessons will be taken by Mr F on Thursdays and will cover various objectives from our science curriculum including light work and materials investigations.

PE will now be on Tuesdays and Wednesdays as we are very lucky to have a Bucks Cricket Board coach coming in to teach our Tuesday sessions.

We will continue with topic, RE and PSHE throughout the week alongside singing practices for Echoes and rehearsals for our production.

Have a wonderful half term!

Mrs Tillyer and Mrs Wilson

TERM DATES FOR SCHOOL YEAR 2021 / 2022

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

Autumn Term 2021

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

Spring Term 2022

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

Summer Term 2022

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