

Chenies School Newsletter

Friday 22nd November 2019

Headteacher's News

Parent Survey

I am pleased to share the results of our parent survey with you which you can read at the end of this letter. The results are very encouraging and show that there are lots of areas of strengths in the school. Many of these are achieved as a result of ongoing parental support and opportunities to work together, so I would like to say thank you to you all for helping to create such a positive environment for our children. As a result of the survey there are also some areas that we will be looking to improve further and I look forward to sharing future developments with you as the year progresses.

Workshare Evening

Next Thursday between 3.30pm and 5.00pm is our first Workshare Evening of the year when you are welcome to come into school with your child and look at and discuss their work together. I hope that many of you will be able to attend and celebrate with your children the effort that they are making with their learning and all that they are achieving. Teachers will be in school on the evening but it is not intended as one when individual appointments will take place, as we have only just had parent's evening. If however you would like to talk to the teacher about a particular concern, then as always, please do arrange an appointment with them for another time.

Parking

Please can I remind all parents that you should be parking in The Bedford Arms Car Park when collecting your children. It has been drawn to my attention that parents are parking on The Manor House driveway and there has been extensive damage done to the grass. The residents of Chenies Manor House are very generous in allowing our staff to park on the gravel areas but it is a private road and parents do not have permission to use it. I am keen for the school to maintain positive relationships with the local community and respectfully ask that everyone plays their part in ensuring we do so.

Van Gogh Winter Olympics

Van Gogh enjoyed a morning of Winter Olympics on Tuesday and was a credit to the school. They had the opportunity to experience body boards, cup stacking, trampolining, skittles and complete an obstacle course.



I hope you all have a good weekend and for those of you joining the PTA on Sunday afternoon wish you a fun afternoon of Christmas pudding making.

Message from the PTA

Next Friday 29th is non uniform day; in return please bring in donations for our Christmas fair tombola's. Donating is voluntary, you can donate to one tombola or all tombola's, it's totally up to you – but the more we have the more fundraising we can do. If you aren't able to donate that's okay, please do still join in our non-uniform day. We will be in the playground collecting your kind donations.

Jazzy jars – decorate a jar and fill with sweets, stationery or anything else you like

Chocolate tombola – can be big bars, biscuits, cakes, boxes of chocolates

Bottle tombola – whilst alcohol is very popular and brings lots of tickets sales, other bottles are great too, shampoo, bubble bath

STARS OF THE WEEK

Van Gogh	Harris Gallagher	Bryan Lea	Omansa Perera
Monet	Archie Zahra	Rebecca Crouch	James Adams
Hockney	Anna Powell	Dexter Jemmett	Noah McCall
Hepworth	Rosie Pluck	Akram Khafagi	George Clack

WEEKLY CLASS ATTENDANCE

Van Gogh – 91%	Monet –100%
Hockney – 97%	Hepworth – 95%

INDIVIDUAL CLASS NEWS

Van Gogh Class News

This week the children had a great time at Winter Olympics and we have been very busy rehearsing for our Christmas Play

Reading

Please remember to write a note in your child's reading record every time you read with them.

Please remember that library books will be changed every Wednesday.

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 and will be introducing

j v w x y.

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

Literacy: See new topic.

Maths: Continue with creating repeated pattern using objects in our environment

Counting – Ordering and Recognising Numbers to 5/10/15/20

Looking at the value of a number and matching objects

One more & One less.

Days of the week

Topic: We will continue to talk about Night & Day and introduce our new text.

REMINDER: Show & tell dates:

GREEN HOUSE	RED HOUSE	BLUE HOUSE	YELLOW HOUSE
x	x	x	29 th November 2019
6 th December 2019	x	x	x

REMINDER: Upcoming Events:

Stay & Play: Tuesday 3rd December 2019 @ 9.15

Last weekend baby Tinkerbell had a great time with Freddie. 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.

Should you wish to discuss any of the above please feel free to come and see me.

Mrs Sahotay 😊

Monet Class News

Next week in literacy Monet will be finishing off their work on poetry using rhyming words and alliteration.

In maths they will be recalling addition and subtraction number facts, partitioning numbers and adding and subtracting multiples of 10.

In Science they will be discussing seasonal changes and focussing on the changes from Autumn to Winter.

They are continuing to work hard practising the Christmas performance.

Hockney Class News

In Maths, the children will start looking at their times tables and mental multiplication and division.

In English we will continue with our non-fiction topic. We will have a focus on their grammar, using multi-clause sentences as well as recap on nouns and pronouns.

In Science we will be continuing our unit of work, looking at humans and the digestive system. This week the focus will be on teeth.

As part of topic work the children will continue looking at the history of football. They will compare modern rules and the rules of 1800s and perhaps get a chance to play a "historical" game of football. In geography, the children will continue to learn about different modern Spain.

Hepworth Class News

English

In English we are continuing our work using the text *Goodnight Mr Tom* by Michelle Magorian. The children have produced some lovely written work using the story as a stimulus and we are looking forward to more good work next week. We will be looking at newspaper reports relating to the outbreak of war and more work on character - including speech and contrasting characters.

Maths

Our maths work continues with long multiplication next week. Again, we have been pleased with what the children have managed so far in our short multiplication sessions this week so we hope this continues. Please encourage your child to keep practicing at home - whether using pen and paper, games or apps. Whatever works best for you!

Topic

We will be starting to look at the Holocaust and the persecution of Jews during World War 2 in our topic sessions. Our PE dance sessions are going very well - the children are already producing some excellent 'Lindy Hop' dance moves and we look forward to seeing their finished routines in a few weeks after a bit more practice. In Science we will begin our next topic - Electricity.

As always, please ensure your child has everything they need in school - particularly warm weather clothing (coats, gloves, hats etc) as well as stationery, PE kit and homework/reading record.

Parent Survey

	Strongly Agree	Agree	Neither agree nor disagree	Disagree	Strongly Disagree	Not Answered
My child is happy at this school.	72% (43)	25% (15)	3% (2)			
My child feels safe at this school.	75% (45)	23% (14)	2% (1)			
The school makes sure its pupils are well behaved.	70% (42)	25%(15)	5%(3)			
My child has been bullied.	Yes =7% (4) No= 94% (56)					
My child has been bullied and the school dealt with the bullying quickly and effectively.		3% (2)	3% (2)			
The school makes me aware of what my child will learn during the year.	54% (32)	33% (20)	10%(6)			3%(2)
When I have raised concerns with the school they have been dealt with properly.	45% (27)	33%(20)	16%(10)	2%(1)		3%(2)
Does your child have special educational needs and/or disabilities (SEND)?	Yes =7 No =53					
My child has SEND, and the school gives them the support they need to succeed.'		86%(6)	14%(1)			
The school has high expectations for my child.	48%(29)	32%(19)	17%(10)	2%(1)		2%(1)
My child does well at this school.	62%(37)	30%(18)	7%(4)			2%(1)
The school lets me know how my child is doing.	42%(25)	45%(27)	10%(6)	2%(1)		2%(1)
There is a good range of subjects available to my child at this school.	54%(32)	40%(24)	7%(4)			
My child can take part in clubs and activities at this school.	49%(29)	39%(23)	10%(6)	0	3%(2)	
The school supports my child's wider personal development.	49%(29)	45%(27)	3%(2)	3%(2)		
I would recommend this school to another parent.	Yes = 95% (57) No =3% (2)					2%(1)
	Strongly Agree	Agree	Neither agree nor disagree	Disagree	Strongly Disagree	Not Answered
Staff are approachable and I feel I can ask any questions I may have.	60%(36)	23%(14)	5%(3)			12%(7)
My child had a smooth transition to their new class.	62%(37)	25% (15)	2%(1)			12%(7)
The information on the weekly newsletter about what my child will be learning in the next week is helpful.	65%(39)	20%(12)	3%(2)			12%(7)

The introduction of Mind-Up to the school day is something my child has spoken positively about.	59%(35)	9%(5)	15%(9)	3%(2)	3%(2)	12%(7)
I have attended a reading workshop this term.	Yes = 9					12%(7)
I found the reading workshop informative and helpful.	89%(8)	11%(1)				
<p>An increasing number of children have food allergies and this can leave some children feeling left out if children bring in cakes/sweets to share for their birthdays. Reading for pleasure is something we want to promote and a number of schools encourage children to bring in a new book for their class library rather than sweets to celebrate their birthday. The book then has a book plate put in it with the child's name on. Is this something you would be in favour of us implementing at Chenies?</p> <p>Yes = 36 No= 2 Not answered = 22</p>						

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

Sunday 24th November	PTA Christmas Pudding and Wreath Workshop
Thursday 28 th November	Work Share Evening 3.30pm-5pm
Friday 29th November	PTA Non-Uniform Day
Sunday 1 st December	PTA Christmas Fair 12pm – 3pm
Tuesday 3 rd December	EYFS Stay & Play 9am
Wednesday 4 th December	Rovings Bookshop in school – all day
Monday 9 th December	EYFS and KS1 Christmas Production 2pm
Tuesday 10 th December	EYFS and KS1 Christmas Production 9.30am
Wednesday 11 th December	Christmas Lunch Day
Friday 13 th December	Christmas Craft Day Christmas Jumper Day
Monday 16 th December	Whole School visit to Watersmeet Pantomime 1pm – 4.30pm
Tuesday 17 th December	KS2 Carol Concert 2pm & 7pm
Wednesday 18 th December	Class Christmas Parties
Thursday 19th December	Term Ends 1.30pm

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