

Friday 23rd October 2020

Dear Parents and Carers,

As we come to the end of a successful term, we would like to reflect on what has made it such a success. We have settled all of our children into school, built positive relationships within new classes, recognised and started to act upon any gaps in learning and established strong foundations for the year ahead. Parents' evenings via telephone over the last two weeks have allowed important conversations around your child's early progress in their new year group to take place. Teachers have found this a valuable process and we hope you have too. If you have not booked a call yet, Mrs Weeks will be in touch with you to arrange this.

Our brilliant first term would not have been possible without our amazing staff team, who have worked incredibly hard over the last eight weeks to make school a safe, happy and exciting place for all children. I'm sure you would like to join us in showing a huge appreciation and a heartfelt thank you for everything they do.

We wish you an enjoyable, safe and relaxing half term and look forward to welcoming you back to school on **Tuesday 3rd November**, as Monday 2nd is an INSET day for staff.

Best Wishes

Mrs A Smart
Headteacher

Miss Willington
Deputy Headteacher



Golden Moments

Superhero Day!





Play pod – Scrap Store

Last year, we were very lucky to have received funding from our PTA for Playpod training from the Scrap store. Due to COVID-19, the training had been postponed - however we are delighted to confirm this will now start in Term 2 and we will be introducing this to the children later in the term. The Playpod programme works with the school to improve and enhance children's playtimes, leading to happier children, fewer incidents and accidents, and improved teamwork and collaboration. They also offer a complete training process with ongoing support and mentoring, equipping adults to support a quality play environment.

Please see this video to see what it's all about.

<https://youtu.be/zolpA3JYoDc>

Year 1 & 2 Phonics & Vipers information

Year 1 have released the parent information onto Seesaw where you will be able to view this presentation and Year 2 will be available on the school website under class pages shortly. Reception will be arranging a virtual 'meet the teacher' session during Term 2.

My Art Project - Order Form



We're excited to be sending individual My Art Project order forms home with the children today. Order cards, wrapping paper and mugs on-line and have them delivered directly to your home address. A lovely way to support our school this Christmas.

Your PTA Team.

**SAVE
THE
DATE!!**



**THIS YEARS
CHILDREN IN NEED
EVENT IS**

Friday 16th November

School Lunches

Please pre order your child's school lunch on the following link by Wednesday 28th October. The full menu can be found on the school website. [School Lunch Term 2](#)

Zest wrap around care

We are hopeful that Wraparound care will resume after half term if our staffing levels have returned to normal by this time. If you would like to book your child in for Term 2 please complete the following links by Wednesday 28th October. Should we not be able to offer this service, we will inform you as soon as we are able.

[Zest child care Term 2](#)

[Wrap around care snack option.](#)

After school clubs

In term 2, we are running the following After School & Lunchtime clubs. Please register by Wednesday 28th October.

Year 1 & Year 2 only - [Multi Sports](#) On a Tuesday lunchtime and after school

Year 2 only - Tiger Martial Thursdays after school, contact Nick to book

Year 1 & 2 only Gymnastic will continue on Monday and the club is currently full.

Home Learning KS1

Your child's class teacher would like you to have a go at Doodle Maths and Spelling Shed over the half term break. Alongside this, please read 4 or more times over the holidays and let us know how you've got on using this Google form

<https://forms.office.com/Pages/ResponsePage.aspx?id=FU48tNJMtUmhKRQyRYFNopsGiHw1x8xBkR74rWP1tQNUNUM3U0xGVkxESEwyMFBUM1Y3NjhMWIhMUS4u>

Reporting a case of COVID19

If this is out of school hours, including weekends and school holidays, please use the email link found in the 'report a positive COVID test' area that has been set up on our school website. This is monitored out of hours and will enable us to respond and communicate with you in a timely manner. **PLEASE DO NOT POST INFORMATION ABOUT POSITIVE TEST RESULTS ON SOCIAL MEDIA SITES BEFORE INFORMING US. ONCE WE HAVE BEEN INFORMED, WE WILL FOLLOW THE AGREED PROTOCOLS BEFORE COMMUNICATING INFORMATION AND ACTIONS IN A CALM MANNER TO OUR WHOLE SCHOOL COMMUNITY.**

Parking

Important information for parents with pupils at Chandag Juniors/ Infants school, Two Rivers and Wellsway.

We have received feedback from our neighbouring community regarding the designated 'resident only' parking places just beyond the shops. Residents have identified that a small minority of parents of pupils attending our schools are using the area when picking up and dropping off children.

We respectfully request that you do not park in these parking bays at any time. The reports have been passed to the local beat police who have advised they will monitor this and will work with the schools and residents to ensure that these spaces are kept free for the purpose intended. Residents are entitled to be able to enter or exit their parking bays whenever they need to and should not be inconvenienced by their space being taken or by a car that blocks them in and prevents them leaving their homes.

Thank you

Dogs

Dogs are not permitted on the school site. This includes the lane from the entrance of the school sites to Cherwell lane. Thank you.

For Reception parents.

Dear Parents/carers,

When we come back after half term, the children will begin to have PE lessons in the hall. We have been in a couple of times with just our shoes and socks off and the children are now ready to start PE properly. Due to our School Covid measures, the children are asked to come to school in their PE kit on their PE day and will remain in it all day. Our PE day in Reception is FRIDAYS. We ask that from Friday 6th November your child comes to school in their PE kit on Fridays. Although it will be warm in the hall, the children will be outside during Choosing Learning and also at lunchtimes so we advise that they wear a pair of black or navy tracksuit bottoms and a same coloured sweatshirt top to keep them warm. No tops of other colours or with logos other than the school logo please. Hall PE kit is a white t-shirt and black or navy shorts, that they can wear underneath a jogging suit. Children can wear trainers that day, but we ask that if possible, they have velcro fastenings unless your child can tie their own laces. Earrings should be removed at home on PE days.

Forest School reminder.

Hopefully you will have seen from our newsletters that Reception will be having their first Forest School session on Thursday 5th November. These are always a fantastic experience and the children really enjoy all the activities on offer. As with PE the children will need to come to school dressed for Forest School and will stay in those clothes for the day. We suggest trousers/leggings, a top that you don't mind getting dirty and a warm coat. If it is a rainy day, we still go ahead, and children will need waterproofs and wellies. (They will need shoes for in school).

Many thanks,

The Early Years team.