

Newsletter - 30th April 2024



Dear Parents and Carers,

We have had a great start to the summer term. I have been giving out many headteacher awards this week for children showing and using our values in their learning—kindness, independence, responsibility, curiosity and creativity.

Hot Chocolate Thursday!

On the last day before Easter break we had an amazing group of children for our special hot chocolate treat. This is a special thank you to the chosen children who **always** show our school values and behaviour values of **ready, respectful and safe**. Well done to:

Year R—Dexter, Teddy, Henry and Otto

Year 1—Poppy, Joshua, Ella and Chloe

Year 2—Elsie, Isla, Nell and Freddie

Hot Meals

Last week you received an important letter about hot meal costs. If you need any support cancelling hot meals ordered or you did not receive this letter please come in to the school office.

Attendance

We know that good attendance at school enables children to make the best progress. Good attendance is considered to be 95% or above. We continue to monitor attendance at school and offer support to families where a child's attendance is below 90%.

As part of our attendance policy we regularly send informative letters if your child's attendance is below 90%. We understand most of these absences are due to illness, but we still have lots of absences which are unauthorised due to term time holidays. Fixed penalty notices are issued by the local authority if there are 5 days of unauthorised absences, or 10 sessions (a morning or an afternoon is one session) Please speak to Mrs Whiffin, Mrs Keightley or Mrs Pugh if you need any support with attendance.

Forest School

We are excited to announce that Miss O'Dea is currently doing her Forest School training and will be taking over as our Forest School leader in September, once she has completed the training. We will be saying goodbye to Jen from Woodland Wonders at May half term, which means the last Forest School sessions for this year will be on Monday 13th May and Monday 20th May. Year 2 will have a final session of Forest School just before they leave us at the end of the school year. These will be on Wednesday 10th July for Badgers Class and Thursday 11th July for Squirrels Class.

Year 1 morning session

Monday 6th May—BANK HOLIDAY

Tuesday 14th May—Owls Class note change of day

Monday 20th May—Hedgehogs Class

Year 2 afternoon session

Monday 6th May—BANK HOLIDAY

Tuesday 14th May—Badgers Class note change of day

Monday 20th May—Squirrels Class

Final Leavers Session Year 2

Wednesday 10th July—Badgers Class

Thursday 11th July—Squirrels Class

Mrs Lucy Whiffin, Headteacher

Dates for your Diary

May

Wednesday 1st May—Friday 31st May PTA 'Move in May'

Monday 6th May—BANK HOLIDAY

Wednesday 15th May—Zoolab workshop Year 1

Wednesday 15th May—Welcome meet for Sept '24 @ 5.30pm

Friday 17th May @ 2.55pm - READ WITH ME

Monday 20th May—Friday 24th May—Sports Week

Friday 24th May—Last day of term

Monday 27th May—Friday 31st May HALF TERM BREAK

June

Monday 3rd June 2024—INSET DAY

Wednesday 5th June—Year R trip

Friday 14th June—Summer Fair, look out for more details

Wednesday 12th June—Year 1 trip

July

Wednesday 3rd July—Transition Day, children in new classes

Thursday 4th July—Year 2 Trip

Friday 5th July—Sports afternoon @ 1.30pm please note Juniors sports morning is the same day.

Wednesday 10th July—Leavers Forest School Badgers Class

Thursday 11th July—Leavers Forest School Squirrels Class

Wednesday 17th July—Disco, more info to follow

Year 2 Leavers Assembly - t.b.c. (15th—19th July)

Tuesday 23rd July—Last Day of term

SUMMER BREAK

September

Monday 2nd September—INSET DAY

Tuesday 3rd September—First Day Back

Other INSET dates to follow soon

A Message from Chartwells.

We have been listening to feedback from schools and parents, and I am very pleased to be able to share with you, the brand new website link for Chartwells West Sussex.

Scan me;



Parents can find all the links on here including, the menu, theme day menus, ParentPay guides (an FAQ will be added shortly), and of course, our direct contact details.

Please can you share this on your newsletters and if possible, add it to your website. I have also attached the digital assets for your website display.

If you have any questions, please do get in touch.

Thank you.

Julie Bleathman Chichester Area Manager Chartwells