



Friday 17th December 2021

Dear Parents/Carers,

**Congratulations!** We've made it to the end of term! Thank you to everyone for supporting the children and staff with so many of our Christmas plans and activities. We have thoroughly enjoyed wowing parents, shoppers and by-standers, receiving lovely compliments and tokens of appreciation. There are lots of photos and some links to recordings and films clips for you to enjoy.

With best wishes for a lovely weekend, a **Happy Christmas** and a wonderful New Year! From all @CeChevening  
Miss Minnis

*PS We look forward to welcoming the children on Wed 5th January, 2022.*



**Congratulations to all of Class R, Class 1 and Class 2 (shown here) for their wonderful Nativity performances this week!**

## Chevening's Christian Values

Our school has 8 Christian Values, all centred on God. Each week we look carefully for individuals who have really shown one or more value in school.

*This week we are pleased to recognise the following children for their endeavours:*

**Class R (Miss Levy & Mrs Robinson)** - All of Class R for the **perseverance** they have shown from September to now. Well done, we are really proud of you!

**Class 1 (Miss Levy & Mr Langston)**- All of Class 1 for having **faith**, believing in themselves and giving their all to the Nativity.

**Class 2 (Ms Chiavarini)**- The whole of Class 2 for **courage** and **perseverance** in delivering an outstanding Nativity. So proud of you all!

**Class 3 (Mrs Archer)** - Blake for the **love** he has shown his friend this week when they were upset.

**Class 4 (Miss Sweeney)**- The whole of Class 4 for growing in **respect** and **compassion** over the course of this term.

**Class 5 (Mr Qureshi)**- The whole of Class 5 and the whole school for their **courage** to continue to persevere and work hard; as well as all the children at home who have joined in with the work via Teams independently. Well done everyone!

**Class 6 (Mrs Wilde & Mrs McLean)**— Jessica for her **perseverance** and the positive attitude she has to all she does.



*KS2 Choir lighting up Trafalgar Square, London.*



## Message from our Chair of Governors

In these times of masks, tests and jabs, it is essential to focus on the present and the urgent. Our school has adapted well to the pressures; all the governors are grateful to Miss Minnis and the staff for their dedication, positive spirit and love of learning. Chevening was at its very best at the recent Carol Service and nativity performances.

Governors are also looking forward to 2022 and beyond. We have proposed some changes to our Admissions Policy and are keen to hear the views of parents. We are pursuing plans to invest in facilities and educational opportunities. And, of course, we are determined to support the school so that every child has the best chance of making progress after the pandemic.

Meantime, on behalf of all the governors, I'd like to wish every Chevening family and pupil a very safe and happy Christmas.



Remember: be true; be kind; and be inclusive.

Alan Leaman      Chair of Chevening School  
Governors

## Sevenoaks Gymnastics Winners

Elsie, Alice and Helen in Class 4 all took part in the Sevenoaks Gymnastic competition on Sunday 12th December.

They all did really well and came 1st, 3rd and 4th. Well done! We are all really impressed and proud!



## Public Consultation of Admission Policy

In accordance with the School Admissions Code requirement that schools must consult on admission arrangements at least once every seven years, Chevening (St Botolph's) CE Primary School is carrying out a consultation on its 2023/2024 Admissions Arrangements.

For further details please visit the school website <https://www.chevening.kent.sch.uk/public-consultation/> or contact the school office for a paper copy. Comments should be submitted to [chairofadmissions@chevening.kent.sch.uk](mailto:chairofadmissions@chevening.kent.sch.uk) by **21st January 2022** when the consultation closes.

We welcome your feedback.

## Learning with Lexia

Lexia Certificates have been awarded this week to: **Alice (Class 3) and Matylda Wiacek (Class 5)** Congratulations to you all!

Well done too to everyone who has achieved their 40-minute target this week.

## Spring 2022 Club Schedule

\*Classes 3, 4, 5 & 6: **Fencing Club** (Mondays 3.15 -4.15pm) (Max 24- £5 per session)

\* Classes 3, 4, 5 & 6: **Netball Club** (Mondays 3.15pm-4.30pm) (Max 30- £5 per session)

\* Classes 5 & 6: **Love to Dance Club** (Tuesdays 8am -8.40pm)

\* Classes 3, 4, 5 & 6: **Judo Club** (Tuesdays 3.15pm-4.30pm) (Max 20- £5 per session)

\* Classes 3, 4, 5 & 6: **Performing Arts Club** (Wednesdays 3.15pm-4.30pm) (Max 20- Free)

\* Classes R, 1 & 2: **KS1 Multi-Sports Club** (Wednesdays 3.15pm-4.15pm) (Max 25- £5 per session)

\* Classes 3, 4, 5 & 6: **KS2 Multi-Sports Club** (Thursdays 8am-8.40am) (Max 25- £4 per session)

\* Classes 2, 3 & 4: **Tennis Club** (Thursdays 3.15pm-4.15pm) (Max 12- £5 per session)

\* Classes 3 & 4: **Boxing Club** (Fridays 8am-8.40am) (Max 32- £4 per session)

\* Classes 1,2 & 3: **Football Club** (Fridays 3.15pm-4.15pm) (Max 18- £5 per session)

\* Classes 4, 5 & 6: **Football Club** (Fridays 3.15pm-4.15pm) (Max 18- £5 per session)

Please see Club letters from the School Office for further details.



## PTFA Christmas Raffle 2021 winners

Thank you to everyone who bought tickets for our Christmas Raffle. We are pleased to announce and congratulate the winners:

Antonia Gawn wins the 1st Prize! Winners:  
Debs BurrIDGE , Laura McTurk, Sophie Burns  
Claire Andrews , Donna Nash ,



**Head Boy (Leo) and Head Girl (Ellis) helped Eddie and Margot (Class R) decorate the Christmas Tree.**

*Mr Q has prepared a compact montage of KS2's Carol Service for everyone to enjoy. This is an amazing festive feat, as we had so few well children to complete this week's planned recording. Please [click here](#) to enjoy these highlights.*



**Some lovely Tesco thank you treats for the Choir!**



**Chevening Choir @ Trafalgar Square**



**Chevening Choir singing to Rivermere Residents**



**Chevening Choir recording at Chevening House**

[Click here](#) to enjoy the choir's performance.



**Special Chevening Christmas presents made by EMC**



## MP Laura Trott's Christmas Card

We are very proud to announce that Ruby (Class 6) was the overall winner of our MP Laura Trott's Christmas card competition. Ruby's beautiful design is shown below. Laura has kindly congratulated and commended other Chevening children for their wonderful designs too.



\*only draw within the box \*no glitter or digital designs

## Christmas at Chevening

Chevening has been a busy place to be this Christmas time! With a lot of fun and enjoyable activities. Class 6 has been making Christmas cards for their Reception buddies at the school and the school has kindly made Christmas cards for the church.

We have all been thinking deeply about the real meaning of Christmas this year. KS2 have been working on their Carol service and performed it last week where each different class focused on a different subject: Year 3 were thinking about all things that they were grateful for, year 4 were thinking about refugees all around the world; year 5 poverty in London and finally year 6 were thinking about the charities that help at Christmas.

KS1 have been working extremely hard on their Nativity play and have been performing it throughout this week.

Chevening have all enjoyed Christmas this year.

**Nia and Issy –Journalists (Class 6)**



## More Christmas Fun!



Santa popped in today on his way to Nursery and decided Mr Garrett should be his elf!



*We are so pleased to see Charlie joining in class activities from home. He is convalescing well and we hope to admire his festive casts in the New Year! Great perseverance, Charlie!*

# COME AND TRY A NEW GAME

AFTER SCHOOL FUN HOCKEY COACHING SESSIONS  
TUESDAYS AND WEDNESDAYS

FOR CHILDREN FROM YR 1 TO YR 9

BEGINNERS WELCOME-OPEN TO NON MEMBERS

PLEASE FIND OUR TICKETS ON SALE ON EVENTBRITE  
<https://sevenoakshockeyclub.eventbrite.co.uk>



SEVENOAKS  
HOCKEY CLUB



## Class Attendance

Regular and punctual attendance ensures that everyone benefits from all that is on offer in school—socially, emotionally and academically, now and into the future. **Our gates close at 8.55am, so learning can start and everyone is safe; please try to be on time!** Attendance and absence are closely monitored each day, so staff notice concerns and successes, even during COVID. The Government have said that absence, for reasons linked to COVID Guidance, will not impact individual children's attendance.

|              | Weekly % attendance                       | Year to date % attendance |
|--------------|---|---------------------------|
| Class R      | 96.7%                                     | 95.1%                     |
| Class 1      | 88.1%                                     | 94%                       |
| Class 2      | 94.5%                                     | 95.1%                     |
| Class 3      | 98.7%                                     | 97.3%                     |
| Class 4      | 87.6%                                     | 94.6%                     |
| Class 5      | 84.2%                                     | 97%                       |
| Class 6      | 92.8%                                     | 93.3%                     |
| Whole school | 91.7%                                     | 95.2%                     |
| Excellent    | >97%: celebration of excellent attendance |                           |
| Good         | 95-97%: note of good attendance           |                           |
| Poor         | <95%: alert to poor & worrying attendance |                           |

## Dates for **NEXT** Term

| Date         | Event                   |
|--------------|-------------------------|
| 4th January  | INSET Day (No children) |
| 5th January  | First Day of Term 3     |
| 22nd January | PTFA School Disco       |

These dates may be subject to amendment due to COVID

## New calendar date for 2022

Chevening's Governors have decided that school will be **closed** on **Monday 6th June 2022**, to mark HM The Queen's Jubilee celebrations.

This means that Term 5 will start on **Tuesday 7th June 2022**, for all children and staff.

**2022-23 Term dates have also been agreed and are attached to this newsletter and on the school [website](#).**

## House Points

| Houses    | Total House Points |
|-----------|--------------------|
| Churchill | 4210               |
| Sackville | 3437               |
| Stanhope  | 4531               |
| Wolfe     | 3782               |





# CHRISTMAS AT CHEVENING CHURCH



DECEMBER 12th:

Beer & Carols

6pm

*At the Bricklayer's Arms*

DECEMBER 19th:

Nine Lessons & Carols

10:30am & 5pm

DECEMBER 24th:

Crib Service

4pm

Midnight Communion

11:15pm

DECEMBER 25th:

Christmas Day Family Celebration

10:30am

  
ST. BOTOLPH'S  
CHEVENING CHURCH

[cheveningchurch.org/events](http://cheveningchurch.org/events)



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