

Dear Parents/Carers,

The arrival of Storm Arwen is a timely reminder that winter is fast approaching! With the on-going need to maintain good ventilation in class, please ensure your child has extra layers to keep them warm inside, as well as when they are outside! An additional **plain fleece** may be worn, preferably in navy blue, or a dark colour. This is not a formal addition to our regular school uniform, but a temporary measure to help everyone stay warm!

Likewise, please see information about Kent County Council's School Closure website on page 3. By registering for updates on this website, you will be quickly informed of any need to make changes to school arrangements for bad weather. (If you have children at other Kent schools, you simply register for updates from both/all schools.)

Thank you for your on-going support and understanding, as we respond to the COVID outbreak in school. We believe the number of positive test results is reducing, although they have not completely vanished. We will review our current temporary measures on Monday and an update will be sent to parents and carers.

Inside this week's Newsletter you will find details of some of our plans for Christmas. Please add the relevant dates to your calendars, as we really hope that these events will go ahead. Some amendments may well be needed in the weeks ahead, so please check for any changes each week.

Please take good care this weekend. Please remember that if your child displays any of the three main COVID symptoms, **keep them at home until a PCR confirms a negative result.**

Best wishes, Miss Minnis



Class 6 have designed these lovely cards to support St Botolph's Love Christmas boxes 2021. Each class will be contributing to help meet the total needed -150!

### 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)** - Gilbert for **respecting** the classroom and helping without being asked.

**Class 1 (Miss Levy & Mr Langston)** - Arthur for his **perseverance** in reading this week.

**Class 2 (Ms Chiavarini)** - Jonty for always showing **love** of learning and **love** towards his peers.

**Class 3 (Mrs Archer)** - James C for his **perseverance** in basketball this week which led him to scoring lots of goals.

**Class 4 (Miss Sweeney)** - Emily D for being such a **compassionate** friend to others and showing **faith** in all things positive and good.

**Class 5 (Mr Qureshi)** - Leia for her **perseverance** shown in the daily mile. Hannah for her **perseverance** in maths this morning.

**Class 6 (Mrs Wilde & Mrs McLean)** - Jack for the **respect** that he shows to everyone.

## Class 1

Class 1 have been reading the Lonely Beast. The children imagined what kind of friend the Lonely Beast might like to have and enjoyed making one out of playdough. See their super creations.



## Class 3

Class 3 had great fun using the virtual reality equipment this week. After learning about the history of our Earth through our class book 'The Pebble in my Pocket', it was brought to life on the headsets. They studied the volcanoes as they erupted, saw the first signs of life and, most excitingly, walked with the dinosaurs!



## Chevening Nursery

Nursery are very busy getting ready for their Christmas show. They have been practicing signing their songs and dressing-up in their costumes.

The children have spent a lot of time in the garden enjoying the lovely sunshine and the new swing that Mr Garrett has put up in the tree.

They are looking forward to putting up their Christmas tree and making lots of lovely decorations. They will be making gingerbread men over the next couple of weeks.



## Learning with Lexia

Lexia Certificates have been awarded this week to:

**Skyla-Lilly, Chloe, Jasmine, Adam (Y2), Marta (Y3), Rosanna, Jerry (Y4) and Matylda (Y5).**

Congratulations to you all!

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

## Baby Edwards arrives!

We are delighted to announce the arrival of Reuben James Edwards on 24th November 2021 at 4am, weighing 8lb. Congratulations to Mr and Mrs Edwards and (new big brother) Oscar! We look forward to seeing them soon.





## School Christmas Lunch

The School Christmas Lunch will be on **Wednesday 8th December**. All parents are welcome to place an order for their child(ren) via CH&Co website: <https://chandco.myschoolmealorders.com/>

### The School Christmas Lunch menu:

Traditional turkey roast & gravy  
Or  
Vegetable & cheese  
slice with  
gravy (v)  
Gluten (wheat, barley,  
oats), egg, milk

Crispy roast potatoes  
Roasted carrots &  
parsnips  
Garden peas  
Sage & onion stuffing  
(wheat)

Christmas biscuit  
Gluten (wheat), egg, milk



## Stonepitts Christmas Trees

The Christmas season is almost here! **Stonepitts Farm** will be selling Christmas Trees. Orders can be placed in Farm Shop in the yard and also online [www.stonepitts.com](http://www.stonepitts.com)



As in previous years, Stonepitts will offer a £2 donation to our PTFA fund for every Christmas Tree sold to a parent or member of staff. Please support us if you can ....**Happy Shopping!!**

## Easy Fundraising



Support Chevening (St Botolph) CEP  
School

Are you **online shopping** this weekend? Then please consider joining our band of supporters who use easyfundraising to generate donations for Chevening.

*There's no additional cost to shoppers; the stores commit to donating a small percentage to different registered charities, whilst regular grocery, gift, clothes, shopping takes place. Increasing our number of supporters would really help the school—please click on the **easyfundraising** logo for more information.*

## St. Botolph's Church

**Christingle Service: Sunday 28<sup>th</sup> November at 10:30am.**

Come & join a great fun-filled service for the whole family to start Advent. *(There may even be a human sized Christingle making an appearance...)*

## Kent School Closure Website

Kent County Council



Search [kent.gov.uk](http://kent.gov.uk)...



[Home](#) [Education and children](#) [Emergency school closures](#)

### Kent Closures

Search by school, service, location or postcode for live closure information.

Register for Alerts



Users Sign-In



Administrators Sign-In



Kent County Council has re-built the school closure website.

Parents and carers need to register as a user via <https://kentclosures.co.uk/>,

Click on **"Register for Alerts"** tab and complete the fields. After registering as a user, you can choose to receive notification from one or more schools if needed. If you were previously registered under the old system, then that registration will have transferred over, but it's recommended that everyone checks that you are still registered.

## Key Stage 2 Choir Christmas Tour 2021

We are delighted to announce our Tour Schedule:

Mon 6th December 2.15-3pm—Coolings Lifestyle

Tues 7th December 8.45am Chevening Estate

Fri 10th December 4-5pm—Trafalgar Square (TBC)

Tues 14th December 2pm Tesco's Riverhead

Weds 15th December 2pm Rivermere Home

Thur 16th December 2pm Cheshire Home

Information about each event will be announced to the Choir members taking part.

## Autumn Club Schedule

- \* Classes 4, 5 & 6: **Art Club** (Mondays 3.15 - 4.30pm)
- \* Classes 3, 4, 5 & 6: **Netball Club** (Mondays 3.15—4.30pm)
- \* Classes 5 & 6: **Love to Dance Club** (Tuesdays 8—8.40am)
- \* Classes 1 & 2: **Multi-Sports Club** (Wednesdays 3.15—4.15pm)
- \* Classes 2, 3 & 4: **French Club** (Thursdays 3.15—4.15pm)
- \* Classes 2, 3 & 4: **Tennis Club** (Thursdays 3.15—4.15pm)
- \* Classes 3 & 4: **Boxing Club** (Fridays 8—8.40am)
- \* Classes 5 & 6: **Football Club** (Fridays 3.15—4.15pm)

**All Clubs Temporarily Paused**

Please ensure your child is collected on time!

## 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
<b>Class R</b>	89.5%	92.9%
<b>Class 1</b>	94.7%	94.4%
<b>Class 2</b>	92%	95.3%
<b>Class 3</b>	92.9%	96.8%
<b>Class 4</b>	94.3%	95.3%
<b>Class 5</b>	95.3%	97.7%
<b>Class 6</b>	93.1%	92.6%
<b>Whole school</b>	93.1%	95%
<b>Excellent</b>	<b>&gt;97%: celebration of excellent attendance</b>	
<b>Good</b>	<b>95-97%: note of good attendance</b>	
<b>Poor</b>	<b>&lt;95%: alert to poor &amp; worrying attendance</b>	

## Dates for this Term

Date	Event
29th November	Exhibition by Chevening Art Club in Sevenoaks Library See page 5
29th November	PTFA Christmas Jumper Sale
1st December	Class 2 Parent Consultation (limited numbers)
2nd December	KS1 Film Night: POSTPONED
3rd December	PTFA Christmas Colouring Competition deadline
6th December	Community Carol Singing at Coolings Lifestyle
6th December	T2 Reports issued to Parents
8th December	PTFA Hamper Donations Day School Christmas Lunch
9th December	KS2 Carols (St Botolph's Church)
10th December	PTFA's Once Upon a Christmas Story Bus Event
13th December	PTFA's Christmas Panto (online)
14th December	Community Christmas Carol Singing at Tesco
15th December	KS1 Nativity (AM) more details to follow
15th December (new date)	PTFA KS2 Christmas Pudding Event
16th December	KS1 Nativity (PM) more details to follow
17th December	Last Day of Term 2 2pm End of Term Service at St Botolph's Church
4th January	INSET Day
5th January	First Day of Term 3
22nd January (new date)	PTFA School Disco

These dates may be subject to amendment due to COVID

## House Points

Houses	Total House Points
<b>Churchill</b>	<b>3374</b>
<b>Sackville</b>	<b>2835</b>
<b>Stanhope</b>	<b>3714</b>
<b>Wolfe</b>	<b>3149</b>





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**SVAF**  
VISUAL ARTS FORUM

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**WINTER**

**EXHIBITION '21**

Monday 29<sup>th</sup> November 11am – 4.30pm  
Kaleidoscope Gallery, Sevenoaks Library  
Artists from Chevening St Botolphs Primary School



ONE OF THE GIRLS

[www.girlsattack.com](http://www.girlsattack.com)  
[girlsattackit@gmail.com](mailto:girlsattackit@gmail.com)

# FUN SKILLS TRAINING AND MATCH PLAY.



**Last Monthly Minis netball for 2021**

**Festive-themed fun** netball introduction for  
under 8s, YrR – Yr3

**Bring a friend for free when you sign up  
online**

9.30 – 10.30am: Sunday Dec 5<sup>th</sup>

Hazelwood School, Oxted RH8 0QU

Structured and enjoyable programs run by experienced,  
enthusiastic England Netball trained coaches

**Book online at [www.girlsattack.com](http://www.girlsattack.com)**

**CONTACT THE TEAM AND BE ONE OF THE GIRLS!**



# Sevenoaks District Childrens Centres

## Christmas Week

Date and Time	Activity	Venue	To book
Monday 13 <sup>th</sup> December 1.00-2.00pm	Foodtastic Family Session	West Kingsdown Children's Centre	Swanleychildrenscentre@kent.gov.uk
Tuesday 14 <sup>th</sup> December 10.00-11.00am	Movers and Shakers Family Session	Swanley Children's Centre	Swanleychildrenscentre@kent.gov.uk
Tuesday 14 <sup>th</sup> December 10.30-11.30am	Wild Science Christmas	Edenbridge Children's Centre	Edenbridgechildrenscentre@kent.gov.uk
Tuesday 14 <sup>th</sup> December 1.00-2.00pm	Wild Science Christmas	Spring House Children's Centre	Springhousechildrenscentre@kent.gov.uk
Wednesday 15 <sup>th</sup> December 10.30-11.30am	Wild Science Christmas	New Ash Green Children's Centre	NewAshGreenCC@kent.gov.uk
Wednesday 15 <sup>th</sup> December 1.00-2.00pm	Wild Science Christmas	Swanley Youth Hub	Swanleychildrenscentre@kent.gov.uk

**Wild Science sessions:** A seasonal story of either Santa's workshop or The Three Wise Men. There will be a range of animals giving the children the chance to touch, hold and interact with the animals.

**Foodtastic:** Christmas themed workshop for children aged 2 and up.

**Movers and Shakers:** A Christmas themed session using instruments, learning songs and dances.

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County  
Council**  
kent.gov.uk





Family  
Courses



## First Aid for Families

### Would you like to know:

- The emergency procedure and making an emergency phone call?
- How to place a casualty into the recovery position?
- How to use the primary survey?
- How to recognise and treat choking?
- How to treat and monitor bleeding, minor bruising and burns?
- How to practise cardiopulmonary resuscitation (CPR)?

### This course is for you!

We want you to enjoy learning with us. To help us provide the best possible experience for you, please let us know if you or your child have any disabilities or particular support needs.

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informal courses**



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