

Chevening (St Botolph's) CE Primary School Newsletter

Summer's here!

Wednesday 21st July 2021



The families of Class 6 have generously presented the school with a lasting gift of a wonderful Sycamore tree, a bench and a poem, to mark their children's time in Chevening Primary School. These are beautiful gifts that we will enjoy in the months, seasons and years ahead. Thank you so much for creating new Chevening memories

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Dear Parents/Carers,

Sadly, our 'bubbles' burst on Monday evening, which means we cannot end the year together in the way we had planned. The home-based staff and children have been quick to return to remote learning routines, which has helped to support the children in understanding how Tuesday and Wednesday would work.

In this final week we have enjoyed more singing, dancing and, of course, swimming! There have been some special memories for Class 6 children and families, as well as our other leavers from staff and some classes.

Over the holidays, work will begin on improvements to the Hall windows, with a new gate and railings being installed by Class R. Please read on for more news and photos, as well as a letter from our Chair of Governors.

On behalf of the staff team, I hope you all have a wonderful break! For the children, the new academic year will begin on Thursday 2nd September at 8.45am.

Happy Holidays!

Miss Minnis

Team Chevening!

<u>H</u>ere is a message of vital importance and

<u>A</u>ppreciation, as we near the end of the school year:

<u>N</u>ever would we have got through COVID 20-21 without your strong support.

<u>K</u>nowing you had our backs, spurring us forward as we faced difficulties and dilemmas.

Yet now, as the holidays start, we want to pass on

<u>O</u>ur gratitude to all who belong to our **U**nique Chevening Family and

Happy Holidays one and all!

Key Dates

Date	Event	
6th August	Chipstead Family Fun Day	
1st September	Inset Day (No children)	
2nd September	First day of school for Class 1-6; 8.45-8.55am soft start	
2nd—7th	Class R Garden Visits as booked	
September		
11th September	PTFA Fun Day 2-4pm	





A huge thank you and massive congratulations to Chevening PTFA.

Your hard work this year has been amazing and we are grateful to all the Class Reps and Committee Team members who have helped to support the children this year.

PTFA Fun Day: 11.09. 21

The PTFA hope to organise some fun to kick off the new school year on Saturday 11th September 2021, 2—4pm.

Including Music, BBQ, Bar, Inflatables, Donkey Rides, Face Painting/Glitter Tattoos, Coconut Shy—there's fun for all!

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	86.7%	96.8%
Class 1	82.4%	97.7%
Class 2	87.2%	98%
Class 3	94.7%	96.5%
Class 4	88.3%	97.6%
Class 5	93.1%	96.2%
Class 6	100%	96%
Whole school	91.4%	97%
Excellent	>97%: celebration of excellent attendance	
Good	95-97%: note of good attendance	
Poor	<95%: alert to poor & worrying attendance	

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20th July 2021

Dear Chevening School Family,

As we approach the end of this academic year, I would like to acknowledge the magnificent efforts of our school family – our pupils, parents, staff and governors, who have demonstrated our school values whilst living through the COVID-19 pandemic. There has been great faith, courage, love, perseverance, forgiveness, respect, honesty and compassion displayed. It has been both a weird and wonderful school year. I'm sure none of us imagined we would be required to maintain the bubble system from September 2020 until July 2021. I do congratulate everyone for maintaining the importance of safety throughout this period.

At this time of year, we reflect on our achievements as well as say farewell and thankyou to our leavers for their involvement and contribution to our school. As we are not able to gather on Wednesday for our traditional Leavers' Service, I would like to pass on my thanks and best wishes to Class 6 children and our three staff members.

On behalf of the School Governors, I thank our Class 6 children for their leadership and courage to inspire our school family during the many uncertain times we have experienced this year. I wish you all great success in your secondary schools. Please keep in touch, as we are all interested in your adventures after Chevening Primary School.

Our three staff members who are leaving us this year have all added much to the character and ethos of our school. Mrs Jeni Roll, currently our Class 3 teacher, has been with us for 3.5 years and is relocating towards the Kent coast. Mrs Roll has been a PE enthusiast, ensuring many sporting opportunities are available. Mrs Alison Stephens, who currently provides speech and language support, is retiring after serving our school for 14 years. Prior to being a staff member, Mrs Stephens had children attending our school and was involved in the PTA. Miss Maria Hodges, who currently serves school lunches as well as providing cleaning services, has been a member of the staff team for 29 years. Maria has always provided a smile and helped everyone feel at home. I am very grateful to them all and look forward to hearing of their next steps.

To all our leavers, please remember you are special members of our school family. We appreciate your unique contribution and want to know of your progress and news.

Finally, I wish everyone a safe and relaxing summer holiday. Do enjoy your time with friends and family. Thank you for your support of our school during this year. I look forward to seeing you in September.

Yours sincerely

Prue Burrlock Chair of Governors





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Additional Learning Support

Each year we publish two documents with details about how children's learning is supported in class. This year's documents are now available on the school website. For more details, please click on the images below, or contact Mrs Caisley, our School SENCo.

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Special Educational Needs and Disability Policy

All Kent Schools are committed to and adopt a similar approach to meeting the needs of all pupils including those with special educational needs. There is a shared expectation that all pupils, regardless of their specific needs, should be offered inclusive teaching which will enable them to make the best possible progress in school and feel that they are a valued member of the wider school community.

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Special Educational Needs and Disabilities Information Report:

The School Offer 2020-2021

Chevening (St Botolph's) CE Primary School is an inclusive school and may offer the following range of provision to support children with communication and interaction, cognition and learning difficulties, social, mental and emotional health problems or sensory or physical needs.

The range of support deployed will be tailored to individual need following thorough assessment by internal or external agencies. It is designed to promote pupils working towards becoming independent and resilient learners and should not be seen in isolation.

| Information and Guidance: Who should I contact to discuss the concerns or needs of my child?

Class teacher

He / she is responsible for:

Adapting and refining the curriculum to respond to strengths and needs of all pupils.

Checking on the progress of your child and identifying, planning and delivery of any additional support.

Contributing to devising personalised learning plans to prioritise and focus on the next steps required for your child to improve learning.

Applying the school's SEND policy.

If you have concerns about your child you should speak to your child's class teacher first. You may then be directed to the SENCO.

Summer Reading Challenge 2021

Are you a Wild World Hero? Kent libraries have launched **Wild World Heroes**, Summer Reading Challenge 2021; a celebration of nature and action for the environment, in partnership with WWF UK.

From 10 July – 11 September 2021, for the first time, children can choose to sign up and participate in the Summer Reading Challenge either by visiting a Kent Library to claim their joining pack, or by visiting wildworldheroes.org.uk to take part online. Visit kent.gov.uk/libs to find an up to date list of open libraries.

Help the Wild World Heroes by signing up to the Summer Reading Challenge to read six library books over the summer period. It can be any type of reading material including stories, information books, audiobooks, eBooks, eAudiobooks, eMagazines and more. Once the six books have been read and the Summer Reading Challenge completed, each child receives a medal and certificate (while stocks last).

The Maths Factor

Free Summer Adventure course now open!The Maths Factor Summer Adventure is now open and are calling **pupils aged 4 to 11** to join up to help boost confidence in maths.

- Completely free course.
- Matched to each child's learning stage and confidence.
- 1 x 20-minute session per day, 5 days a week.
- Virtual rewards can be earned as they progress.
- Proven methodology with tutorials, warm-up questions and lots of practice.

The Maths Factor supported more than **half a million children during lockdown** and are committed to helping children across the country stay on track with their maths.

Please click the link below for more information.

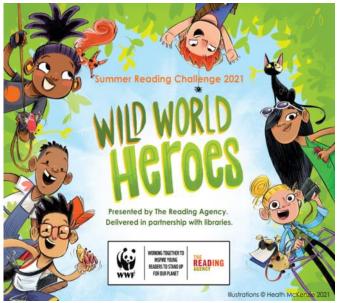


URGENT reminder Swimathon

Please can you return all swimathon forms to the School Office so the PTFA can claim Gift Aid with sponsors' full name and home address.



And explore the Kent Libraries catalogue! These titles (and thousands more) can be reserved for free with a child or teen library card



Chipstead

Family Fun Day Friday 6th August

10.30am - 2.00pm

Chipstead Recreation Ground, Chevening Road



Arts & crafts

Sports

Face painting Magician

Guide dogs and Puppies

Garden games

Bring a blanket & a picnic!

All activities are FREE

Ice cream and tea and cake will be on sale

This fantastic event is funded by Chevening Parish Council