

Chevening (St Botolph's) **CE Primary School Newsletter**









Friday 9th July 2021



Well done! The awesome success of **OUR Swimathon 2021** was exactly what the England Team needed to get them through Wednesday evening's Football Match and on to Sunday's Final! Obviously, wearing a Chevening Swimhat will really support England in Sunday's Final and help everyone as the final whistle blows! That outcome will impact us all on Monday morning -bring your smiles and hoarse voices in to school whatever the result—there's plenty happening @CEChevening next week to continue the celebrations (or provide a distraction!). Make sure you've booked your Chevening tickets for 'We Are Family' See page 8.



The news that COVID measures can soon be eased is a welcome relief. Our Protective Measures have worked well and we are pleased and thankful that our Bubbles have not had to burst. As we want to be able to enjoy the freedoms over the summer break, we will be maintaining ALL our current systems until the end of

News about changes for September will be shared before the end of term.

Another group of 2021 Class R children have visited the school field today to collect their special Welcome Bag-full of surprises and fun! A great start to getting ready for September!

Whatever your plans, I hope you all have a lovely weekend!

With best wishes, **Miss Minnis**



Great ambassadors from Year 5 and 6 impressed everyone when they took part in Hever Castle's Triathlon-style event. Mr Qureshi was delighted to hear the instructors' praise for our children's politeness and respect, as well as their enthusiasm and commitment. Great job Chevening Y5&Y6!

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)- Micah for his perseverance and fantastic attitude towards reading, being able to share his thoughts about the story.

Class 1 (Mrs McLean & Mr Langston)- The whole class for showing love and respect on their trip today.

Class 2 (Mrs Robinson & Mrs Wilde)- Hugo for his courage and resilience during a tricky week.

Class 3 (Mrs Roll) - Theo R for his courage, faith, perseverance in believing in himself and working so hard to swim whole lengths of the pool with no support!

Class 4 (Miss Sweeney)- Zac for always being so upbeat and showing **faith** in others and the more positive. Thanks for sharing this with us all!

Class 5 (Mr Qureshi)- All of the pupils who went to the Hever Triathlon event for showing respect, courage and perseverance during the day.

All of the pupils who worked at school demonstrating respect, compassion and love in the way they worked together on two special projects and during playtimes.

Class 6 (Mrs Edwards) - Frankie for showing respect in joining in and supporting the whole class prepare for their Leavers' song.

Class R



This week, Class R have been learning about Time. They explored different ways to measure time and completed as many star jumps, writing their names & touching their toes as they could in their 1 minute challenges!



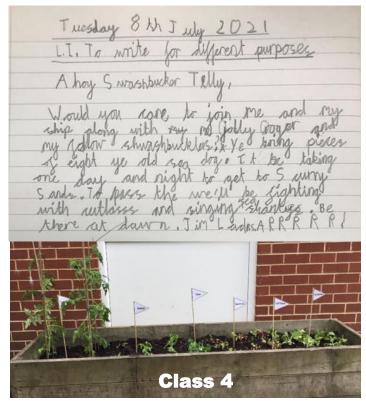
Class 6



Class 6's Working Wall is now a record of some of their Chevening Highlights. With their Leavers' Book and Film completed, attention is now shifting to gathering memories from Class 6 children and parents. We hope to add some of their gems to a Chevening Treasure Chest of Memories we can pass on to new families as they join the school family. Click here for a closer look.

Class 2

Ahoy, m'hearties! Read on if you dare... Watch out for the swashbuckling details below as Class 2 sea dogs have had great fun writing letters using pirate language! Pieces of eight, anyone?



Just like the parable of the Mustard Seed *Matthew 13:31-32* and the saying 'from little things, big things grow', **Class 4** have embarked on the Innocent Big Grow Challenge! Similar to the (tiny)



mustard seed which was planted and became one of the largest garden plants—a tree where birds can come and perch on its branches—our seeds been through quite a journey already and are bearing fruit.

They might not quite reach the height or size of trees, but the children do have high aspirations for them at least to be able to make a big salad for the class by the end of the year!



The children have had to show a lot of love and care towards them, tending to the plants' needs, working out when they were thirsty, and supporting one another in the process - it did look like at one stage that some wouldn't make the full journey... but they did it!

By showing many of the school values and qualities that Chevening prides itself on showing, the children now have a wonderful vegetable patch to show for it! Keep your eyes peeled on playground pick up. Well done Class 4 and a big thank you to Mrs Day and Mr Garrett who made this all possible!

Key Dates

Date	Event
12th July	End of year reports to parents/cares
13th July	Love to Dance Pop Up to Own Parents
14th July	Class 6 Chevening House Tour
16th July	Class 6 Zoom call with Laura Trott MP
16th July	KS2 Swim Sports Event
16th July	Class R 2021—Welcome Bag Visit: 2.15-2.45pm
19th July	Deadline for Swimathon Sponsorship returns; Class 6 BBQ and Swim
21st July	Last Day of the Year! Leavers' Service—TBA NO Activ8 Club.

Chevening Swimathon 2021

Thank you to everyone who has already put their **Swimathon** sponsorship form in the box by the School Office, and paid the money collected.

If you haven't already done so, please remember to hand in your form and contact your sponsors for payment asap!

Here is a reminder of the different ways to pay:

- 1. Cash in a sealed envelope (with your child's name, class and total collected) to the school office.
- 2. Online through the PTFA website: "Swimathon" event.

3. Online via bank transfer: Chevening Primary

School PTFA; Sort code: 60-19-02

Account Number: 71585796

Please put 'Swimathon' and your child's surname as a reference.

If you have any questions, please contact me at yvonne.donoghue@hotmail.com

Thank you very much for your support and well done again to all our amazing swimmers!

Sponsor a Fish Board



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	97.1%	96.8%
Class 1	99.3%	97.8%
Class 2	96.7%	98.2%
Class 3	100%	96.6%
Class 4	96.3%	97.8%
Class 5	98.7%	96.2%
Class 6	93.8%	95.9%
Whole school	97.36%	97.1%
Excellent	>97%: celebration of excellent attendance	
Good	95-97%: note of good attendance	
Poor	<95%: alert to poor & worrying attendance	

House Points

Houses	Total House Points
Churchill	6487
Sackville	6630
Stanhope	7582
Wolfe	8649

Family First Magazine

Family First is a magazine that is packed full of information to help keep children happy, learning & entertained at home during lockdown.

Please click the image for more details:



Strong passwords online

We all need to use passwords to keep our online accounts secure, and it is just the same for children on their favourite apps, sites and games. It is important to use strong, secure passwords and to keep them safe.

Net Aware have some useful tips for you and your child to create strong passwords online., please click the image for more information:



Summer Reading Challenge 2021

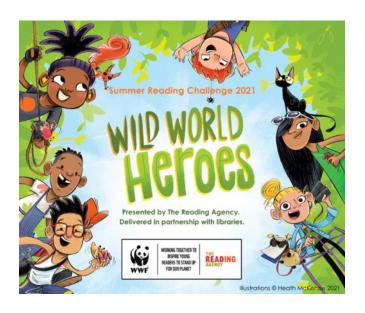
Get ready for the Wild World Heroes, as Summer Reading Challenge 2021 comes to Kent libraries!

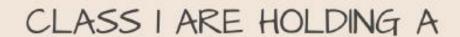
Kent libraries are excited to introduce Wild World Heroes, Summer Reading Challenge 2021; a celebration of nature and action for the environment, in partnership with WWF UK.

Running 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 our open libraries and information about when others will be opening.

Meet the Wild World Heroes - Carys, Marcus, Callum, Willow, Faiza, David and their trusted animal companions from Wilderville, who are all on a mission to take action and save their natural world.

Children can help the Wild World Heroes by signing up to the Summer Reading Challenge and reading 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. When they have read their six books and completed the Summer Reading Challenge, they will receive a medal and certificate (while stocks last). And it's all for free!





CAKE SALE! THURSDAY 15TH JULY

ALL PROCEEDS WILL BE DONATED TO

CHEVENING PTFA

FROM 3PM AT THE BUS SHELTER ON THE PLAYGROUND



Summer Hockey Club

Sevenoaks Hockey Club is offering a whole day camp starting at 10.00 and finishing at 15.00 during the Summer Holiday for children in Year 3-9 at the end of this academic year 2020/21.

Morning only session are also available from 10-12.30 on all the dates below

Camps are open to all abilities, from first time players to academy centre (County) and above! Dates in August 2021:

Monday 2nd, Tuesday 3rd, Wednesday 4th, Monday 9th, Tuesday 10th, Tuesday 24th, Wednesday 25th. Registration between 9.45-9.55

Bring: Shin Pads, Mouth Guard, Drink, Snacks and lunch if staying all day and Clothing appropriate for the weather. Don't forget sunscreen. A hockey stick can be provided

Ticket sales will close at 3pm the day before the camp starts. Please click on the photo to get your tickets.





Aqualife Swimming Lessons

We are delighted to announce that we have 3
WEEKS of Intensive Swim Lessons to offer you
this Summer! The first two weeks will be held at the
beautiful outdoor pool at Chevening School - see the
photo below and the third week at The New Beacon
School.

Bookings are open now and places will go fast. We expect to receive a high level of interest, and emails will be responded to on a first come first serve basis. Please do get in touch if you would like a space, and note which week you would like to book on your email.

Costs for the week will be:

GROUP LESSON - £80.00 per swimmer;

121 - £142.50 per swimmer;

221 - £210 per class (total for both swimmers)

ALL LESSONS ARE 30 MINUTES IN DURATION MONDAY TO FRIDAY

Please do check out our Facebook page for tips on how to put on goggles, hats and get dry after swimming: https://www.facebook.com/



Sevenoaks Swimming Courses

The Sennocke Centre is delighted to be running Return to Swim courses over the Summer Holidays for the local community. The courses are a great opportunity for your child to regain water skills and confidence. Following the government's latest announcement, we are delighted to offer Swimming lessons during the Summer Holidays. We will be running Intensive Swimming Course **for Level 3 upwards** during Sevenoaks School's Summer break and in line with Government guidance.

Summer Holidays 2021 Course Dates:

Week 1: 26 – 30th July; Week 2: 2 -6th August; Week 3: 9 – 13th August

Level 1 & 2 Whilst we are awaiting further clarification on running Levels 1 & 2, we are compiling a waiting list. Anyone wishing to register interest in either of these levels, please complete the form here.

Level 3 upwards and Private Lessons

For full timetable information, level descriptions and to book, please click here.

Private lesson spaces are limited and we can only accept bookings for the full 5 day course dates.

We can offer you reassurance we are a COVID-19 Secure Venue and are strictly following guidance and recommendations from Gov.uk & industry regulators Swim England along with DfE. To read the measures we have in place to maximise everyone's safety please visit our website.



Only 100 available, so buy your Chevening Swimhat ASAP!

Swimming hats will be on sale on Monday 5th July 2021 on the playground.

Please bring £5!



Due to government guidelines the festival has been changed to Saturday 24th July. The organisers are donating £4 from EVERY TICKET sold to Chevening School to our PTFA! Buy tickets from Leonie Paris 07970006598 parisprojectsltd@gmail.com



How to support your child to maintain good health!









Get Regular Exercise



Good Quality Sleep



Positive friendships and relationships



Find a hobby that is fun, relaxing or challenging!



You've Got This!

Resilience is 'The ability to cope through difficult circumstances, to bounce back from the problems faced in life.' Top Tips for Resilience

You can support your child with building resilience:

- · Help them to maintain good health
- Support positive friendships and relationships
- Encourage time doing talents and interest
- Understand their emotions and behaviours
- Provide unconditional love and security

