

Friday 4th December 2020

Name check in Parliament!



Chevening got a mention in the House of Commons on Thursday! Following on

We were very proud to hear Chevening's **Class 6** mentioned in the House of Commons last week! Following the children's letters, local **MP Laura Trott** took the children's environment concerns to Parliament. Watch the debate and our clip by clicking on the image above.

Christian Value Certificates

This week we are pleased to recognise the following for all their endeavours and displaying our school values;

Class 1 (Mrs McLean & Mr Langston)- Gregory for showing **perseverance** as he did not give up on his partitioning work in Maths

Class 2 (Mrs Robinson & Mrs Wilde)- Arthur showing **love** for learning, he always goes the extra mile with his extra curricular learning.

Class 3 (Mrs Roll) - Soraya for showing **compassion** and **love** for always being kind and helping out other members of the class.

Class 4 (Miss Sweeney)- Eliza for showing **courage** for always being so courageous and never causing a fuss, even when faced with discomfort or difficult situations

Class 5 (Mr Qureshi)- Molly T for showing **courage** on how she tackled trying to improve in the sportshall pentathlon competition.

Class 6 (Mrs Edwards)- Abbie for showing **respect** as she is always so polite and helpful.

Dear Parents/Carers,

This first week in Advent has flown by! It's been lovely to hear the buzz of excitement around school, which feels reassuringly 'normal' when so much is still strange, different and difficult. The **Church of England** have produced a lovely animated film to start Advent—click the image below for a few minutes of #ComfortandJoy.



Learning still continues and, next Friday, you will receive your child's **Autumn Term Report**. This follows on from our Term 1 Parent Consultation meetings and will provide an update on academic progress and well-being. Although we are subject to **Tier 3 VERY High Alert COVID** restrictions, we hope to be able to offer the normal pattern of reports & consultation meetings in Spring 2021, but this will be dependent on national and local constraints.

Some reminders to keep us all safe:

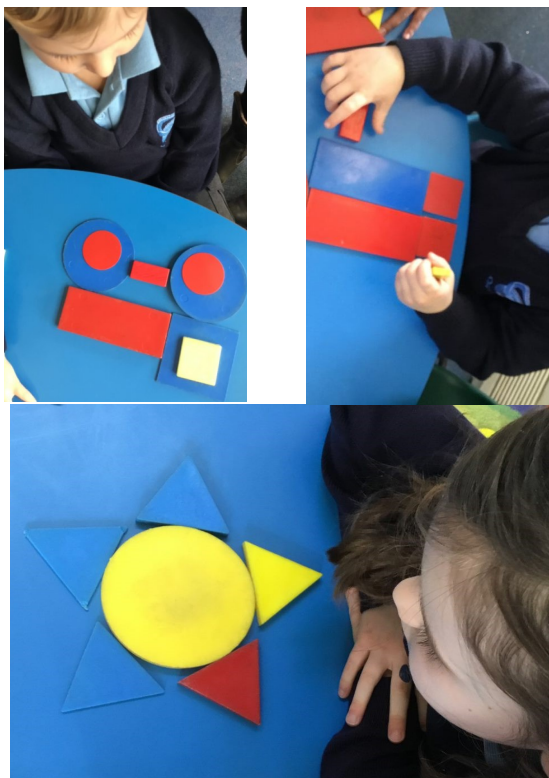
- **Siblings/household members** who need to self-isolate must **NOT** come onto school site.
- If possible, could just **one adult** attend for drop-off & pick-up.
- Please **do not** wave/signal to your child to leave their class line **before** the teacher/staff member dismisses them at the end of the day.

Again, thank you for all your support as we seek to keep our school family safe.

With best wishes, Miss Minnis

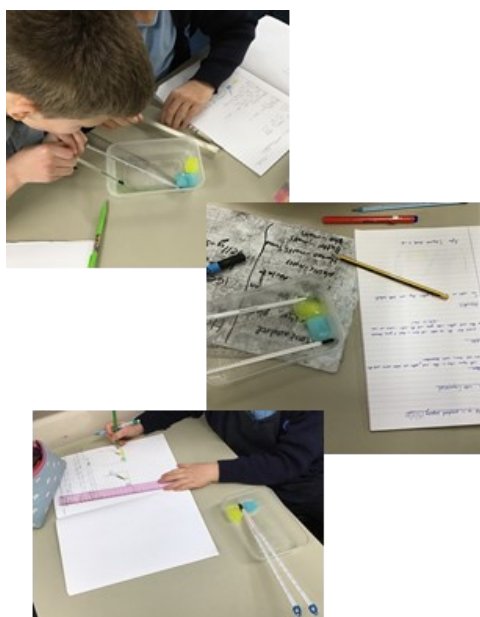
Class R

Class R have been learning about 2D shapes in Maths. They particularly enjoyed creating their own 2D shape pictures. Can you spot what each picture is?



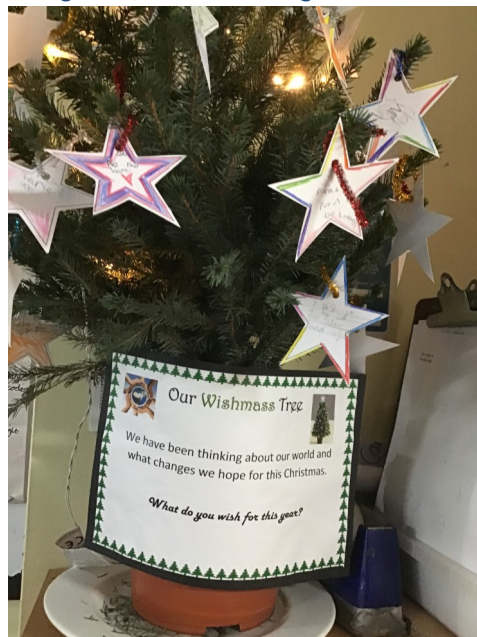
Class 4

This week Class 4 have been continuing investigating the different states of matters. They looked at the transitional process of *melting* and discovered when heat is added to a solid that it turns into a liquid. They even recorded our observations accurately by reading measurements on a thermometer. What do you predict would happen if a blue and yellow ice-cube were left out at room temperature?



Class 2

Class 2 have been celebrating the start of advent by decorating their 'Wishmass Tree'. They thought of wishes they would like for the world this Christmas. They also made some very 'joyous' angels thinking about all the things that fill them with joy.



Love Christmas

We are delighted to be supporting this national campaign to support friends and neighbours in need over Christmas, via St. Botolph's Church. Some of our classes are making Christmas cards to accompany special gifts that will be delivered to local community residents, who may be isolated or in need over the Christmas Season.

If you would like to support the campaign here in Chipstead/Chevening/Sevenoaks, you can find details here, or by clicking the image below:

Help is needed in four ways; might you be able to offer assistance?

1. **Nominate a neighbour to receive a box**
2. **Packing a box**
3. **Deliver a box**
4. **Sponsor a box – 1 box is £10**
Please help if you can!

LOVE CHRISTMAS CAMPAIGN



House Points

Houses	Total House Points
Churchill	396
Sackville	304
Stanhope	246
Wolfe	358

Lakeland Lapland Festive Virtual Ultra Run

Chevening are taking part in the **Lakeland Lapland Festive Virtual Ultra Run** between the 10th and the 17th December. We are going to pause our Daily Mile Destinations adventure, where we have been racing round the world, in order to race to Santa! The children (in teams of KS1, LKS2 and UKS2) will be running 234km (145 miles) in their teams over 6 days. The city of Rovaniemi is the capital of Lapland and to get to Santa, you have to travel 234k to the village of Korvatunturi. We will be tracking our progress daily with live updates! As well as the run, the children will be reading 'The Fox & The Reindeer' who made the 145 miles journey across Lapland, overcoming adversity, to save Christmas.

Reminders

Please could parents/carers remember:

- If your **child is unwell** & has **ANY** COVID-19 symptoms, they **cannot** attend school—please seek advice from NHS 111.
- To wear a face covering when dropping off and collecting you child from school, unless you are exempt.
- The children need **coats and wellies** to school every day
- To **closely supervise** children coming in/going out of school (*unless Class 6 have been authorised to walk home*). **Please do not allow children to play together while waiting at the start/end of day, as we need to keep each separate Bubble consistent!**
- Your child can wear a **plain fleece** on top of their existing school uniform to help them stay warm;
- Christmas cards/gifts can be exchanged **ONLY** within your child's own class.

Key Dates

Date	Event
11th December	National Christmas Jumper Day/ Autumn Term reports
14th December	School Panto and wear a Christmas Jumper
16th December	School Christmas Lunch
18th December	Last Day of Term; children finish at 1.45pm.
21st Dec– 1st Jan	Christmas Holiday
4th January	Inset Day (Staff Only)
5th January	First Day of Term 3 for children

These dates may be subject to amendment due to COVID-19.

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. **Attendance has been brilliant—please keep it up! 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 children's attendance rates.

	Weekly % attendance	Year to date % attendance
Class R	98.4%	97.2%
Class 1	99.3%	98.3%
Class 2	97.2%	98.3%
Class 3	99.1%	96.9%
Class 4	100%	98.6%
Class 5	99.3%	98.3%
Class 6	98%	96.8%
Whole	98.8%	97.8%
Excellent	>97%: celebration of excellent attendance	
Good	95-97%: note of good attendance	
Poor	<95%: alert to poor & worrying attendance	



EMC's Unique Advent Calendar



A new 'home' for our Nativity scene



Making cards to support #LoveChristmas



Each class teacher selected a chocolate to find their school values for the class-room door wreaths!



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Advent



Class 1 Advent Candles



Our PTFA team decorated the Chevening Estate Tree!



Thank you to everyone who joined in the PTFA's party and helped raise money!



Class R decorations

THE CHURCH OF ENGLAND



Click on the image for a link to a family Advent Calendar that lasts to Epiphany.

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