

Thursday 22nd October 2020



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Dear Parents/Carers,
Today, we reach the end of Term 1 (for the children!) and there's a sense of relief and thankfulness in the air! Our adaptations and adjustments have been helpful in ensuring we are doing our best to keep everyone safe and well. Thank you to all the children for making each day special and helping to find solutions to the challenges and difficulties that we are all coping with—COVID is providing lots of opportunities for compassion, perseverance and honesty! We do need to ask everyone to remember and adhere to our systems, so that no one is inadvertently put at risk, so please:

- **DO NOT stop/park cars on the double yellow/zigzag lines;**
- **FOLLOW the one way pedestrian system;**
- **Keep safely separate as you exit the playground;**

This term, despite COVID restrictions, we have celebrated birthdays, anniversaries, new jobs and now, COVID-delayed weddings!



Congratulations to Mrs Jarrett who was finally able to hold her ceremony last weekend! We wish Mr and Mrs Jarrett much happiness.

We are looking forward to the delivery of **Remembrance Poppies** after half term, so we can support the **Royal British Legion Poppy Appeal**. Each 'Bubble' will have their own tray/collection tin, to reduce the transmission of germs.

So, Happy Half-Term everyone! Enjoy the break from school! Have fun, stay well and safe, ready to return on Monday 2nd November. With best wishes, Miss Minnis

Here's a photo of the PTFA-funded books that are now available for our children! Great fiction and non-fiction titles to inspire super readers.



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)- Maddie for the consistent **love** and care she shows to all her work.

Class 2 (Mrs Robinson & Mrs Wilde)- Maya for showing **love** and **respect** to her classmates.

Class 3 (Mrs Roll) - Tabitha for showing **respect** and being focussed with her learning and always doing as she is asked!

Class 4 (Miss Sweeney)- Elisa W for showing **love** and making a tremendously kind gesture to the class this week and being so caring.

Class 5 (Mr Qureshi)- Ellis for showing **compassion** as she involves others in new playtime games so that all can be included if they wish

Class 6 (Mrs Edwards)- Lottie for showing **courage** and speaking up even when she felt nervous to do so.

Class 2

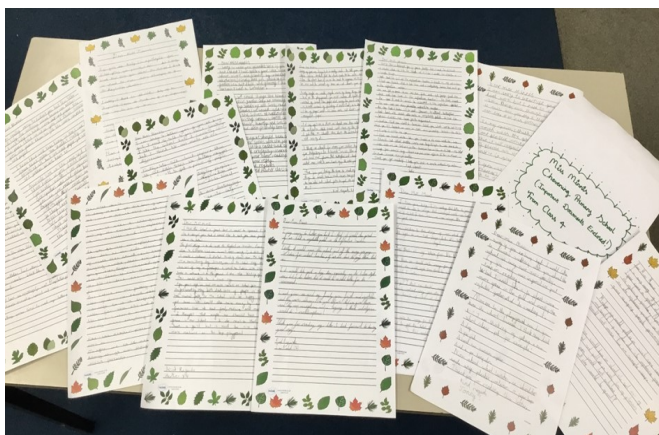


Class 2 have greatly enjoyed their 'Power of Reading' book 'Claude in the city' this term. They ended the term's work by writing their very own Claude stories. Claude now has new adventures in the city, at the beach and even in Lapland!



Class 4

Class 4 have just finished reading the book 'Belonging', a beautifully illustrated picture book, which not only prompted a lot of class discussion about current global issues (the environment in which we live) and what it takes to make a difference, but it also inspired us to bring about change ourselves! Consequently, we have put pencil to paper and taken the time to write some powerfully persuasive and exceptionally well-presented letters to Miss Minnis, detailing some changes we would like to make for the better of the school. They have finally been safely delivered and we now wait in anticipation for a response to our wonderfully eco-friendly ideas. =o)



Class R

This week, Class R have been exploring and creating their own repeating patterns. They were great at spotting what came next in the pattern and identifying any mistakes! They also had fun creating actions and sounds patterns. Can you create your own repeating action pattern with your family?



Key Dates

Date	Event
23rd October	Inset Day (no children in school)
26th-30th October	Half Term
2nd November	First Day of Term 2
16th November	Nasal flu immunisation
18th December	Last Day of Term
21st December– 1st January	Half Term
4th January	First Day of Term 3

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

Pupil Premium

If your family has experienced considerable change in circumstance due to COVID-19, you may be entitled to apply for **Free School Meals and Pupil Premium**. The criteria for successful application include:

- *Universal Credit - if you apply on or after 1 April 2018 your household income must be less than £7,400 a year (after tax and not including any benefits you get)*
- *Income Support*
- *income-based Jobseeker's Allowance*
- *income-related Employment and Support Allowance*
- *support under Part VI of the Immigration and Asylum Act 1999*
- *the guaranteed element of Pension Credit*
- *Child Tax Credit (provided you're not also entitled to Working Tax Credit and have an annual gross income of no more than £16,190)*
- *Working Tax Credit run-on - paid for 4 weeks after you stop qualifying for Working Tax Credit.*

You can apply on-line [here](#).

The application process must be completed by parents; The additional benefit to successful FSM applications, is that the school will receive **Pupil Premium Funds** to support a child's well-being

Reminders

-If your **child is unwell** & has **ANY** COVID-19 symptoms, they **cannot** attend school—please seek advice from NHS 111.

Families who have travelled outside of the UK will need to check the Government's requirements for **self-isolation on return**. Any staff member or child returning from a country that requires a period of self-isolation, can only return to school when the quarantine period has been completed. Please use this link to stay up-to-date with the Government's Guidance on requirements for self-isolation. <https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/coronavirus-covid-19-how-to-self-isolate-when-you-travel-to-the-uk/coronavirus-covid-19-how-to-self-isolate-when-you-travel-to-the-uk>

School Lunches

Please remember to logon to the system and order your child's school lunch for the next term. The term will begin on Monday 2nd November.

If your child is absent, parent/carers need to mark the children absent on the online booking system otherwise you will be charged if you are KS2 parent.

Home/School Communication

We are currently in the process of changing the system used to email parents/carers. We are hoping the new system will be up and running in the next couple of weeks—more information will follow. For now, all important information will be sent via homeconnect@chevening.kent.sch.uk **but** you will be **NOT** be able to reply to these emails. To reply you will need to email office@chevening.kent.sch.uk

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. **Punctuality & Attendance have been brilliant—please keep it up!**

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. We inform parents/carers of their child's attendance routinely, especially if absence impacts

	Weekly % attendance	Year to date % attendance
Class R	98%	95.7%
Class 1	98.3%	97.9%
Class 2	99.7%	98.6%
Class 3	100%	96.5%
Class 4	99.3%	98.3%
Class 5	97.9%	97.9%
Class 6	99%	95.9%
Whole school	98.9%	97.4%
Excellent	>97%: celebration of excellent attendance	
Good	95-97%: note of good attendance	
Poor	<95%: alert to poor & worrying attendance	

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