

Friday 18th September 2020



Dear Parents/Carers,
Our return to school project, 'Here we are' is coming to an end. The children have really enjoyed exploring similarities, differences and changes in debates and their learning. Below is a photo from Class 1 for you to enjoy—you'll see others on the next page.

As well as sending weekly newsletters, we try to maintain a social media presence via **Twitter**. Please follow **@CeChevening** for quick updates, news and fun; it's the fastest way we can share successes (and we do like lots of 'likes' and RTs!!)

Current **Government Guidance** for schools inhibits a lot of our normal and enjoyable opportunities and minimises the number of contacts that the children and staff have in school. This means that, for now, activity clubs are not possible, nor are external visitors, helpers and students.

Our COVID- arrangements and procedures mean that class teachers are not as easily accessible for chats as usual. Parents of children in Classes 1-6 should have received an email from Miss Derby with details for signing up to a virtual **Parents' Consultation** appointment, providing an opportunity to discuss each child's settling in and well-being this term.

Wishing everyone a relaxing weekend!
Miss Minnis

PS Please click on the Hands-Face-Space image for a quick link to school COVID- information



Class 1



Well done to our new Class R families for remembering to send in their wellies—ready for lots of outdoor fun, whatever the weather!

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)- Jonty for showing **perseverance** in all his work this week.

Class 2 (Mrs Robinson & Mrs Wilde)- Rosie for showing **Love** and kindness to all her class mates.

Class 3 (Mrs Roll) - Elsie for showing **Love** and always being so kind, caring and helpful in class.

Year 4 (Miss Sweeney)- Toby for showing **Courage and Perseverance**, making a brilliant start this week and smoothly settling into his new surrounding.

Year 5 (Mr Qureshi)- Honey for showing **Compassion** by caring for people who may have been hurt or upset. George S for showing **Honesty** when playing our exciting PE games during playtime.

Year 6 (Mrs Edwards)- Robbie for showing **Love** and having a positive attitude to his learning, always getting involved and working hard.

Class 3

The children have worked together to create a value flower to help remind them on the eight School Christian Values. Can you name them all?

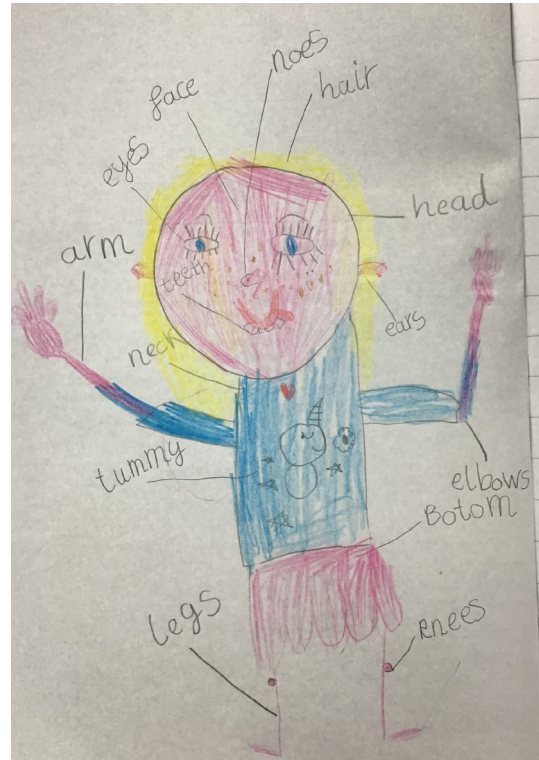


In English, they have been enjoying reading 'Here we are' and created this brilliant poster which is displayed in the classroom.



Class 1

In class this week we have been looking at our bodies in Science. The children all had to draw themselves and label as many parts as they could. We practiced naming all the parts by playing Simon Says.

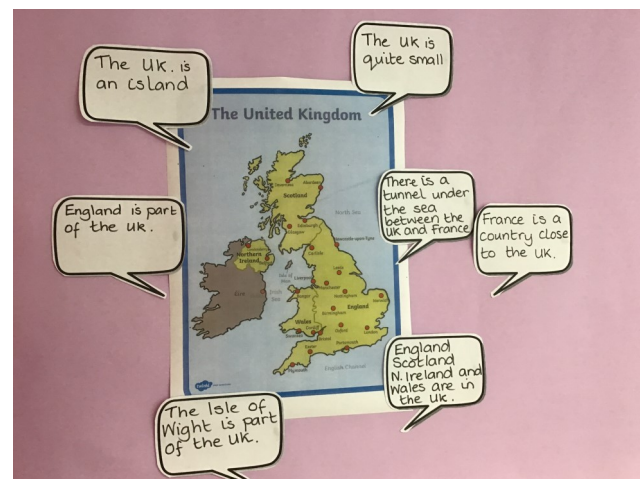


Well-being

The impact of COVID on our children has been a huge concern and we recognise that coming back to school will help well-being for some, but not necessarily all families. In view of this and other issues and anxieties that our children face, we will continue to signpost useful tips, ideas and resources for our families. If you need to talk to a member of staff, please do so; your child's class teacher is a sensible person to start with, but other options include: **Mrs Caisley** (SENCo), **Miss Minnis** (Headteacher) or **Mrs McLean** (Deputy Headteacher) - all three are Safeguarding Leads in the school. Good well-being is a pre-requisite for good learning, so we take concerns seriously. The image below is a link to KOOOTH, a digital mental health & well-being service and community for young people aged 10-16.



We have also continued to work on our Geography topic of the UK. We noted down the information that we already know about the UK as a whole and then looked more closely at Scotland - first country in our journey around the UK. We listened to bagpipes and drew the flag before designing our own tartans. In a Scottish tartan colours are included that have special meanings, so we had to explain why we had chosen certain colours for our own designs.



Barnardo's 'See, Hear, Respond' service

See, Hear, Respond is a service that provides support to children, young people and their families who are not currently seeing a social worker or other agency, and who are struggling to cope with the emotional impacts of COVID-19. See, Hear, Respond will support from pre-birth up to 18 years of age and those with special educational needs under the age of 25.

See, Hear, Responds will contact every referral made, so no child is missed. Help is available in one of more of four ways:

- an online hub of support and information
- online counselling and therapy
- face to face support for those most affected and at risk of some of today's most pertinent issues, such as criminal exploitation.
- helping children and young people reintegrate back into school

You can access these service by phone 0800 151 7015 or [self-referral webpage](#)

School Lunches

From Monday 21st September, school lunches must be booked by [parent/carers](#) through the new online booking system. Meals can be ordered in advance but must be ordered by 8am on the day that they will be eaten.

If your child is absent, [parent/carers](#) need to mark the children absent on the online booking system.

Emails were sent out to all parents earlier this week, with instructions regarding how to sign up onto the CH&CO website.

For Key Stage 2 children, payments will need to be made in advance, via the online booking system. The daily lunch cost is £2.25

The website for both ordering meals and making payments is: <https://chandco.myschoolmealorders.com>

Please note that next week we start the three week cycle again with the week one Menu.

All information can be found on the School website: <https://www.chevening.kent.sch.uk/lunch-menuscool-milk/>



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.

So far, punctuality has been brilliant—please keep it up!

Now, both attendance and absence are closely monitored each day, so staff notice concerns and successes, even during COVID. For now, 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 learning.

	Weekly % attendance	Year to date % attendance
Class R	99%	99%
Class 1	95.4%	97.1%
Class 2	98.5%	99.1%
Class 3	97.2%	98.2%
Class 4	98.5%	99.1%
Class 5	95.8%	96.5%
Class 6	97.6%	97.4%
Whole school	97.3%	97.9%
Excellent	>97%: celebration of excellent attendance	
Good	95-97%: note of good attendance	
Poor	<95%: alert to poor & worrying attendance	

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Healthy Eating week

During the week 28th September-2nd October, the whole school will take part in Healthy Eating week. Each day there will be a fun challenge so do get involved at home too!

- Eat more wholegrains (Monday)
- Vary your veg (Tuesday)
- Drink plenty (Wednesday)
- Move more (Thursday)
- Be mind kind (Friday)
- Get active together* (Saturday)
- Eat together* (Sunday)



PTA Pre- Loved selling site

The PTA Team have launched Chevening's very first PTA Pre-Loved selling site via eBay Market Place! List your unwanted gifts, outgrown school uniform, bikes, household items or sporting equipment via the Chevening selling page and contribute towards the PTA!



Reminders

Please could parents/carers remember:

- closely supervise children coming in/going out of school (*unless Class 6 have been authorised to walk home*);
- you are welcome to wear face coverings for drop-off and pick-up from the playground.
- sadly, due to-the one way system, dogs are not permitted in the school site.
- some of the **children's medication** is **OUT OF DATE** & **forms** need updating—please reply to Mrs Jarrett's email.
- if your **child is unwell** & has **ANY** COVID-19 symptoms, they cannot attend school—please seek advice from NHS 111.
- Class 6** families please check our ***Moving onto Secondary School*** page on the [school website](#) for updates about Secondary School choices, arrangements and application processes.

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 and development in school.

Key Dates

Date	Event
21 -23rd September	Class R attend 8.45am-1.30pm
22nd September	Induction of Rev Hannah Adams
24-25th September	Class R attend 8.45am-3pm
28 & 29th September	Individual Virtual Parent Consultation Appointments with Class 1 –6 teachers
28th September	Reading is Magic week
15th October	Kent Test (PESE) for Class 6 entrants
21st October	School Photos
22nd October	Last day of Term
23rd October	Inset Day
26th-30th October	Half Term
2nd November	First Day of Term 2

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

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