

Chevening (St Botolph's) CE Primary School Newsletter No 17



Friday 17th January 2020

Sports & Play Leaders



Dear Parents/Carers,

The weather this week might not have been cold, but it has certainly had impact! Please can we remind everyone about the importance of staying safe on the way to and from school, particularly for children who walk to/from school (only Y6 with parental and school agreement). With roads closed or blocked pavements, the need for *good visibility* is heightened. Please ensure your child's clothing or bags have a fluorescent marker and, of course, good waterproofs and shoes/wellies are essential for playground use as well.

Thank you to everyone who has contributed to our brand new *Little Lending Library!* As well as being environmentally-friendly, it's a lovely way to encourage families to read for pleasure! Please make good use of this new opportunity—see the Guide tucked inside.

We have a number of sports activities and opportunities in the weeks ahead. We embrace as many opportunities as we can and are very grateful to the staff and parents who organise and support the events. This term's PE sessions include hockey—everyone has been busy practising the correct grip and posture this week!

We are welcoming Virginia Corbyn, Deputy Director of the Rochester Diocesan Board of Education, to our school next Friday afternoon. During the visit, Virginia will be meeting staff and children and discussing our Christian Distinctiveness. Also scheduled for Friday afternoon, is a visit by Carolyn, from 'Their Voice' Charity. Having supported them over the Christmas season, we are looking forward to learning more about the charity's work with victims of modern slavery and refugees. Parents/carers are most welcome to meet Carolyn, 2.45-3.15pm in the Room of Requirement.

With best wishes, *Miss Minnis*

Play Leaders By Adam G

At Chevening we have done some training about pupils leading games and activities at playtimes. So far we have collected data on the student's ability in skipping. This information is going to Mrs Roll and the best from each class will be rewarded. The play leader activities are for every student to try something new. We are going on to collect data on 'stacking cups' activities and there are more activities planned.

Christian Values

All of Year 1 RESPECT	-	For the respect they show to the football coach
Jessica W LOVE	2 3/0	For always showing love to those that are in need
Alicia R LOVE	3	For always being so kind, caring and complimentary towards others, helping to brighten up their day
All of Class 4 PERSEVERANCE	4G0	For success and great improvement in their times tables challenge
Tristan T & Lily B RESPECT	Courage 5	For wanting to inspire us with ideas about how to be more eco-friendly and respect the Earth
Scarlett P PERSEVERANCE	6	For working hard in a Maths to master decimals

Class R

Class R had a special visit from PC Christopher Musselwhite on Friday.

He talked to the children about his daily duties and showed us his important equipment. The children also had a tour of the Police Van and had the opportunity to sit in the back, where the baddies go!

It was a very exciting day!





Class 4

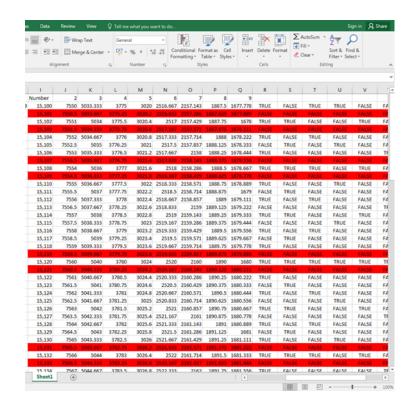
Class 4 were thrilled to see that they have made huge progress with the speed they answer questions about Times Tables on Times Tables Rock Stars. Their hard effort and determination is really paying off.

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Class 5

Class 5 have been working hard on their division of large numbers. We have also had a few challenges to investigate. Here's one that we would like to 'share' with you, as well as a little picture of Adam's interesting use of Excel to try to solve it!

Question: Can you find a number between 15100 and 15200 that is divisible by 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, & 9 without leaving any remainders?



Act of Worship News

This week, we would like to share some of our children's prayers from recent Acts of Worship. The children often refer to our School Christian Values when praying, which are reflected in the selection below:

Dear Lord, Please help us to love one another and not be mean to each other. Lord, in your mercy, hear our prayer.

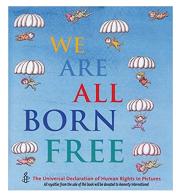
Dear Lord, Please help us to love one another; not to be unkind but friendly. Also, help us to care for our surroundings. Thank you that we can be kind to our friends and other people. Amen

Dear Lord, Thank you that we can be courageous and thank you that we have courageous people in our world. Please help others to believe in themselves and others.

Amen

PSHE

In PSHE we are currently thinking about Human Rights. In Key Stage 2 the children have been finding out about The Universal Declaration of Human Rights, which was compiled by the United Nations after WW2. It is interesting to explore the links between these and both British and Christian values.



This book describes the declaration in an accessible way for children and is beautifully illustrated by a collection of renown illustrators.

Governors' News

I would like to inform you that Mr David Lewis has stepped down as our Chair of Governors, due to medical reasons, with Mrs Prue Burrlock taking on the role of Chair with immediate effect. As a school we are very thankful to Mr Lewis for all he has achieved as our Chair of Governors, and look forward to his continued involvement with the school as he continues in his Foundation Governor role.

Maths Workshops

Mr Qureshi will be running a talk / workshop about some aspects of mathematics for parents. All parents are welcome to come along, whichever year group your child is in.

We will be looking at using objects, drawings and jottings to support work; as well as some of the different elements of mathematics such as: recall, fluency, reasoning, and investigating.

The first workshop is on Thursday, 30th January from 9 - 10 am. If parents express an interest, we will schedule some further workshops for later in the term.

Please email the school office if you would like to attend. We hope to see you there.

"Their Voice" Charity

Following your amazing support over the Christmas period, we are pleased to welcome Carolyn Thom from '*Their Voi*ce' to Chevening on - **Friday 24th January**.

Carolyn will talk with the children during Celebration Act of Worship and will give a brief talk to parents/carers from 2.45pm in the Room of Requirement.

(If you have any backpacks that you weren't able to complete before Christmas, you are welcome to bring them in.) Please try and join us!



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.

	Weekly Attendance	Year to Date Attendance			
Class R	99.3	97.1			
Class 1	95.3	97.4			
Class 2	95.2	97.7			
Class 3	98.6	98.4			
Class 4	97.9	97.6			
Class 5	97.4	96.7			
Class 6	99.2	97.5			
Whole School	96.6	96.9			
Excellent	>97%: Celebration of excellent attendance				
Good	95-97%: Note of good attendance				
Poor	<95%: Alert to poor & worrying attendance				

PTA News - Spring Ball - Tickets still available!



Dates Ahead

Date	Event
22nd January	Year 3/4 Swimming Gala - By invitation - Details to follow
24th January	"Their Voice" Charity Briefing for parents - 2:45 pm
30th January	Maths Workshop for parents - 9—10am
31st January	PTA School Disco - KS1 4-6 pm; KS2 6-7:30 pm
6th February	Young Voices at the O2
13th February	Class 4 trip to Tutankhamun
17th - 21st Feb	Half-Term

Internet Safety

With another shocking report from the Police about young people's exposure to harm in the headlines this week; we would like to pass on the advice to get to know how your children use technology and consider where devices should be kept in the household - particularly in the evenings. Many groups advise parents to play and use devices with your children so that you can assess risks and discuss them.

EMC & Activ8

There are still places available at Early Morning Club (EMC) and After School Club (Activ8). EMC runs from 8:00 - 8:45 am and is just £3.75 and Activ8 runs from 3:15 - 5:30 pm and provides a light tea at a cost of £11.50.

