



Chevening (St Botolph's) CE Primary School Newsletter No 34

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Dear Parents/Carers,

We finish the week on a high, with only a few days left for this academic year!

The culmination of excitement and exhaustion can be felt across the school, so well done to everyone for another amazing week!

Our highlights have included:

- Seeing the refurbished Pool in full operation for the **KS2 Swim Sports** event. How lovely to welcome back ex-pupils and friends to demonstrate their enhanced skills and perseverance to inspire our own super swimmers. Many thanks to everyone who joined in the fun!
- **Class 6 team** enjoyed a most informative visit to Chevening House and were keen to ask probing questions to deepen their understanding of the enduring link between the Stanhopes and our school. Thank you to Colonel Matthewson for making time to welcome the children and staff.
- **Reception Class** excelled with their costumes, singing and dancing at Step Together at Knole Academy on Thursday afternoon.
- Sue Salter has assisted the children in painting their clay elements for our **200th Celebration Mosaic**. We are so grateful to the Leonard Cheshire Home for letting us use their kiln. We look forward to Sue bringing the individual elements into a cohesive design!

Next week brings opportunities for further excellence and performance with the **KS2 Pied Piper Performance** and our Class 6 **Leavers' Service** at St Botolph's Church—a most fitting way to say fond farewells to the children, Rector and the academic year!

With best wishes for our final term-time weekend,

Miss Minnis

Pro-Kick



Thank you to everyone who raised funds for the ProKick schools challenge. The school raised an amazing £1587 to donate to the Sports Connections Foundation. Congratulations to Tiffany and Seth for fastest kicks; Isobel and George for highest fundraiser.

Christian Values

All of Class R COURAGE	R	For an amazing, confident performance at Knole Academy!
All of Class 1 PERSEVERANCE	1	For working to achieve their Bronze Merit Award
Harriet P PERSEVERANCE	2	For working so hard on her swimming. Well done Harriet!
Sasha COURAGE	3	For competing against pupils in Y5/6 in the individual med-
Rachael F COURAGE Ollie L FAITH	4	For the progress she has made swimming For his 'Leap of Faith' jump at Carrot Wood
Scarlett P RESPECT/ COMPASSION/ LOVE	5	For being a true steward of the Earth and inspiring us with her passion for looking after the environment
All of Class 6 PERSEVERANCE	6	For working so patiently through their end of year production

Class R have performed at the annual Reception event 'Step Together' at Knole Academy on Wednesday. They were the only school that sang a song as well as doing actions and were amazingly confident! They made Miss Levy and Mrs Miller feel very proud!



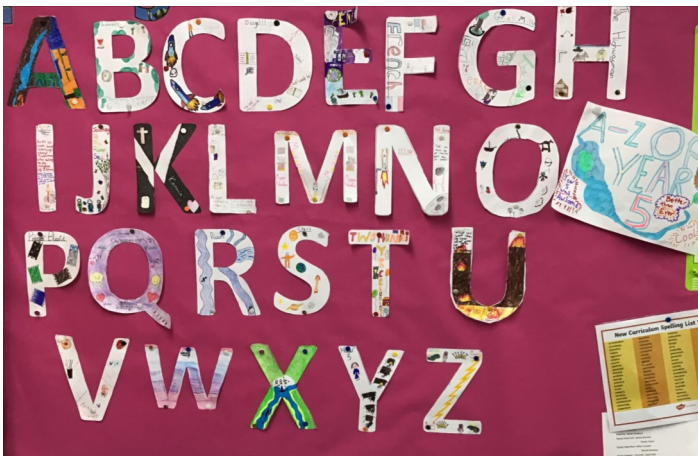
Class 1 have developed their green fingers by cultivating peas. They especially enjoyed feasting on the fruits of their labours. Let their be "peas" on earth.



Class 4 have been busy reminiscing and writing diary entries about the exciting and challenging activities at Carrotty Wood. They have been importing pictures and using these to support the feelings and thoughts expressed in their work.



Class 5 have been reflecting on their year as it draws to an end. We managed to think of something special about our year beginning with each letter of the alphabet, and no tenuous links!



Creative Capabilities



An opportunity to share and celebrate the children's creativity!

Class Attendance

As a school, our minimum YTD attendance target is 96%. Please remember that regular and punctual attendance is vital to helping the children develop socially, emotionally and academically, now and into the future.

	Weekly
Class R	98.3%
Class 1	97.1%
Class 2	99.7%
Class 3	96%
Class 4	93.7%
Class 5	97.9%
Class 6	96%
School Weekly	96.9%
School YTD	96.2%
Excellent	>97%: celebration of excellent attendance
Good	95-97%: note of good attendance
Poor	<95%: alert to poor & worrying attendance

Holiday Activity ideas from the National Trust



If you are looking for ideas to fill some time during the holiday, the National Trust's '50 things to do before you are 11 3/4' might be of help!

For further information see www.nationaltrust.org.uk

Dates Ahead

Date	Event
22nd July	KS2 Performance (2:00/5:30 pm)
23rd July	End of year service (2:00 pm)
2nd Sept	INSET DAY - No children in school Start of Term 1 - 2019-20
3rd Sept	First day for pupils in Y1 - Y6 Term 1 2019-20

Reading Challenges

Summer Reading
BINGO

Mrs Edwards has found another great way to spend time this summer—completing the Summer Reading Bingo challenge.

More details can be found at <https://www.booksfortopics.com/bingo>

The Reading Agency and Libraries Present

SPACE CHASE

Summer Reading Challenge 2019

The Summer Reading Challenge 2019 with Kent Libraries began on 13 July and runs throughout the summer holidays, finishing on 14 September. It's aimed at children aged 4 to 11 and is completely free.

This year's theme is Space Chase, inspired by the 50th anniversary of the moon landing. Children are challenged to read 6 library books and are presented with a special medal and certificate at the end, collecting an exciting selection of space-themed rewards along the way. There are further activities for them to do on the official [Summer Reading Challenge website](https://summerreadingchallenge.org.uk/) <https://summerreadingchallenge.org.uk/>

Act of Worship

We have been looking at 'change' this week, considering the scale of different personal and group changes both in the Bible and in our lives. A variety of emotions fuel our reactions to different changes, whether the loss of a tooth, arrival of a baby sibling, change of class, change of route or method of transport to school, or change of school.

In all we experience in the past, present and future, the Bible teaches that God is with us all the time.

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