



Chevening (St Botolph's) CE Primary School Newsletter No 27

Summer 2: Friday 10th May 2019

Dear Parents/Carers,

This has been a short but active week of learning in school, with great opportunities for children to develop their skills, knowledge and understanding in different ways. The class news section and class pages on our website will give you more details, but to whet your appetite—Class 5 have met a famous author, Class 3 have met an Olympian and Reception, Class 1 and 2 have enjoyed dramatic opportunities today!

The next few weeks focus on some of the more formal aspects of teaching, learning and assessment, with tests and teacher assessment informing judgements for individual children. Please encourage your children to continue to try their best, to discuss any questions/concerns with staff and to keep everything in perspective. Learning to manage emotions in different contexts is an important part of growing up and again, we want to encourage our children to develop self-management skills and positive attitudes to challenge and fresh opportunities. Class 5 will be embracing these areas of development with their Residential next week—we wish them well as they prepare for a very different learning experience!

We have more details to add to our dates list for this term, as events are confirmed. Please do try and join us for the morning service at St Botolph's Church on Sunday 19th May, where we will celebrate Rogation Sunday and enjoy a BBQ afterwards. (Let's hope for warm sunshine on the day!).

As the school prepares for the final summer term, there are plenty of outside jobs to complete including the final preparations for the swimming pool area. If you have a spare hour on Saturday morning 9am-1pm, Mr Garrett will be looking for grown-ups to help complete some much-needed grounds work. Please let him know if you can join in.

**With best wishes,
Miss Minnis**

Local School Links



On Thursday afternoon, Class 3 went to Knole Academy to have their PE lesson with Toby Garbett, Olympic rower. The children participated in a huge range of activities, all led by the Knole Academy and Sevenoaks School sports leaders. The children thoroughly enjoyed the afternoon and had the opportunity to play a lot of games they hadn't tried before!



We are delighted that Mrs Strange from Sevenoaks School Outreach was able to attend our celebration assembly today. She was able to congratulate Kit and Eliza on being shortlisted for the Science Week School's poster competition; as well as award Florrie first prize for winning the competition **outright!** Congratulations!

Christian Values

Each week, we recognise and affirm someone in each class who has clearly demonstrated one of our school values. This week's nominations are:

Grace W LOVE	R	For always being a kind friend and looking after others
Théo F PERSEVERANCE	1	For showing immense perseverance with his "Gigantic Turnip" story
Lola P COURAGE	2	For showing such courage during a difficult week
Eloise FAITH	3	For believing she could take part and putting 100% effort into our PE session yesterday, even though she has just come off crutches!
Frankie, Kit and Aaron PERSEVERANCE	4	For being some of the highest scorers in the Times Tables 'battles' this week
All of Class 5 LOVE	5	For demonstrating a love of literature during our visit to see Frank Cottrell Boyce
Lizzie E PERSEVERANCE	6	For working persistently to improve her writing

School News

Class R have been closely observing their class caterpillars every day and are noticing interesting changes!



Class 2 are looking at the book 'Where the Wild Things Are' in English. They did some drama to show Max meeting the wild things.



Class 3 are learning about forces in Science. We made freeze frames to show how different forces act on objects to make them move or stop. We had a lot of fun guessing what each other were acting out.



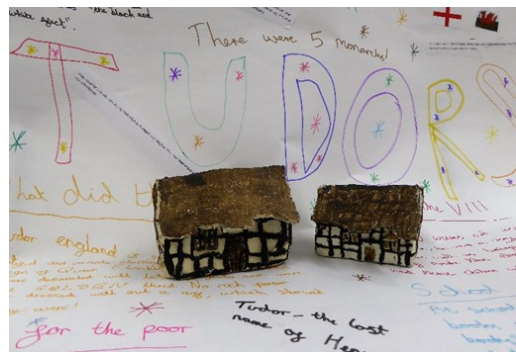
Class 5 went to Chiddingstone Literary Festival on Tuesday to hear Frank Cottrell Boyce (author of Cosmic) read from his new book 'Runaway Robot'. They had a great time listening to Frank read, tell stories and answer questions from the audience.



Class 1 really enjoyed being whisked off to never land with Peter Pan and Tinkerbell in our drama workshop this morning.



Class 4 have continued to be busy with their history work. There are lots of lovely pieces of homework coming in such as: food tech, sculpture, artwork, PowerPoints and reports. This all complements the explanatory texts being written in class to do with aspects they learnt during the 'Kent Life' visit.



For further details on your child's learning, have a look at their class page on the school website.

School Contacts:		
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School lunch payments	www.principals-catering.com	Pay by debit/credit card via phone 07483 425779

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	98.8%
Class 1	99.1%
Class 2	97.1%
Class 3	95.8%
Class 4	97.8%
Class 5	98.7%
Class 6	91.3%
School Weekly	96.9%
School YTD	95.9%
Excellent	>97%: celebration of excellent attend-
Good	95-97%: note of good attendance
Poor	<95%: alert to poor & worrying attend-

On-line Safety

We are asking the children questions about how they access online resources, apps and games. One of our questions is about keeping personal information safe. We can see from the children's answers, that this is something they do not feel confident about. Please ensure your child knows that **they should not give any personal information online, eg full name, address, mobile number, email address, school name etc, if they would not want it freely available in the offline world.**

Parents/carers need to *make* time to be involved in your children's internet use and teach them about online safety.

Whole School Photo


Thank you to everyone for making great efforts for our class and whole school photo—great mementos for the future. We hope to hear from Braiswick Photographic quite quickly, so that you can see proofs, place orders and receive your photos.

Dates Ahead

Date	Event
13-16th May	KS2 SATS
16– 17th May	Class 5 Residential
17th May	PTA Cake Sale (Class 4)
19th May: 10.30am	School Service at St Botolph's Church & BBQ lunch
21st May* *New date	Class 6 Hardelet briefing for parents - 2:30pm
27– 31st May	Half Term Break
3rd June	INSET DAY - No children in school
3rd June	Kent Grammar Test Registration opens (current Y5)
5th June	Y5&6 Swimming Gala (6-8pm)
7th June	Y5 Secondary School Meetings
10-14th June	Class 1 Phonics Assessments
11th June	SRE (Sex & Relationships Education) briefing for Class 6 parents - 2:30pm
14th June	Class 6 to Rochester Cathedral
14th June	Class 3 Sleepover
19th June	District Sports
21st June	Sports Day
27th June	Class 2 Sports Fun Event
28th June	Class 6 to Kent Police College
1st-3rd July	Class 6 Residential
4th July	Secondary School Transition Day
10 -11th July	Class 4 Residential
12th July	INSET DAY - No children in school
17th July	KS2 Swimming Sports
22nd July	KS2 Performance (2:00/5:30 pm)
23rd July	End of year service (2:00 pm)

Act of Worship

This week, we have been considering examples of generosity. Ask your child to tell you about Michael Faraday's generosity of knowledge and practical help in Victorian times, which has echoes of the Bible Story shared by Class 6, where a young boy freely shared his meagre lunch with a crowd of 5000+! Food for thought!



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In case of queries, please contact Mrs Prue Burrlock, Chair of Governors on
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