



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

Spring 1: Friday 8th February 2019

Dear Parents/Carers,

This week has been filled with exciting opportunities for our children to experience learning outside of the school/classroom. We were very proud of our representatives at Monday night's O2 Young Voices event and amazed at the resilience of Mrs McLean, Mrs Roll and Mrs Grobbelaar on Tuesday! Thank you to our parents/carers for supporting this unique event—Mrs English is hoping to add some footage to the school website soon.

Tuesday's Internet Safety Day saw all classes engaged in considering aspects of on-line learning and opportunities. We have prepared a Special Edition Newsletter to showcase the children's learning, celebrate their growing knowledge and skills and consider how best to support them in maintaining good conduct and communication skills online.

The on-line world is vast and will continue to grow in influence—one of our jobs as adults is to set a good example. This means exercising self-control, demonstrating good citizenship and modelling the values of mutual respect and tolerance, alongside the rights of individual liberty, democracy and obeying the rule of law—grave responsibilities for us all.

Our Governors are mindful of the impact of the on-line world on our pupils and the on-going partnership between school and home in protecting and educating the children. To this end, I will be including regular online safety tips and reminders in future newsletters.

With very best wishes, Miss Minnis

Young Voices at The O2

The choir had a wonderful day at the O2 on 4th February. They behaved beautifully and sang and danced with energy and enthusiasm as part of an 8000 strong choir of children. They accompanied singers from the 1980's through to the present day in a concert of music lasting over two hours. It was both exhausting and exhilarating - well done to them all! A huge thank you to Mrs McLean, Mrs Roll and Mrs Grobbelaar for accompanying the children.



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:

All of Class 1 RESPECT & LOVE	1	For super teamwork and friendship this week
Alicia R LOVE	2	For always showing love & kindness to her classmates
Poppy W COURAGE	3	Standing in front of the class to present her homework
Kit H COMPASSION	4	For helping others with computing work
Deferred to next week	5	
Cy C RESPECT	6	For always behaving and speaking to others in a respectful way

Class News

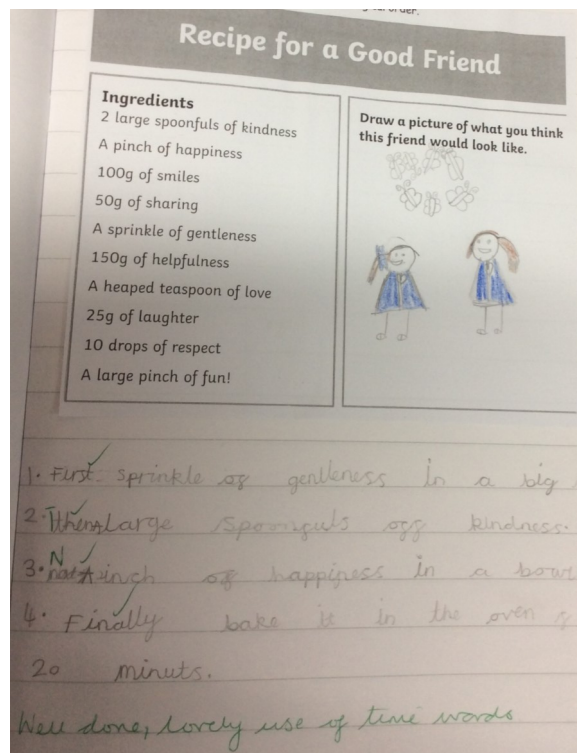
Class R had a fun filled week exploring Chinese New Year and learnt all about the traditions of the festival. They made red lanterns, dragon puppets and as a class they created their own dragon dance! The children particularly enjoyed sampling Chinese food!



Class 2 designed posters to encourage good hand washing to help prevent the spread of germs.



Class 1 have been busy exploring recipes this week. They made jam sandwiches for a teddy bear's picnic and a recipe for what makes a good friend.



Class 3 have just finished reading "Stig of the Dump". Towards the end of the book, the story describes Stonehenge being built. We have created Stonehenge silhouettes to make our display 'Stonehenge at Sunset'.



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School lunch payments	www.principals-catering.com	Pay on-line or by debit/credit card via phone 07483 425779

Class Attendance

This week's attendance is 97.7% and YTD at 96.1%. Please remember that regular and punctual attendance is vital to helping the children develop socially, emotionally and academically, now and into the future.

Class R	97%
Class 1	98.6%
Class 2	98.7%
Class 3	100%
Class 4	93.6%
Class 5	100%
Class 6	100%
School	97.7%
Key	
Excellent	>97%: celebration of excellent attendance
Good	95-97%: note of good attendance
Poor	<95%: alert to poor & worrying attendance

Healthy Eating

A gentle reminder, to parents & children alike, that we are a Healthy School and as such, promote healthy eating, physical exercise and well-being of mind and body. We ask our parents/carers to remember to use healthy options when packing the lunch box.

The lunchtime supervisors also encourage the children NOT to throw out any uneaten items from their lunch bag, so that parents/carers know which foods their children are eating (or not as the case may be).

Thank you for your cooperation.



LENTEN BOOK STUDY GROUP

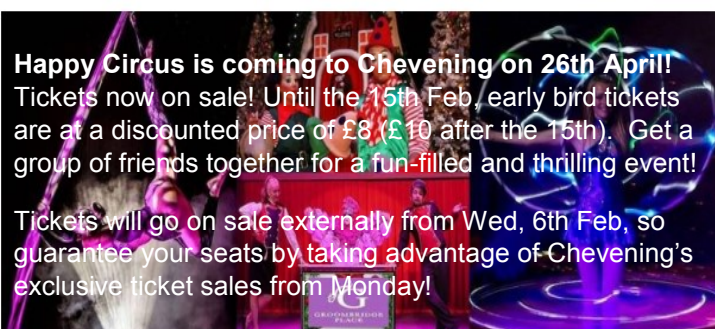
Every Wednesday during Lent: 9:10—10:10am starting on 06.03.19, Rector Smith will lead a study of the book "A Fistful of Heroes".

Books are just £5, available from the School Office.

Dates Ahead

Date	Event
12th February	Y1 trip to Brighton
13th February	Visit from Kent Fire Brigade
14th February	Parents' Prayer Meeting
15th February	Last day of term 3
25th February	Inset Day—No pupils in school
26th February	Term 4 clubs start
28th February	KS2 Science Day @ Sevenoaks School—Details TBC
1st—7th March	Book Fair
5th March – 2:20	Parent's Phonics Workshop
6th March—9:10	Lent Book Study
7th March - 7pm	Splash event—New Date
8th March	PTA Kids' Movie Night
23rd March	PTA Ball @ Nizel's
24th March	School church service
26th March	Westerham Music Festival

PTA News



Happy Circus is coming to Chevening on 26th April! Tickets now on sale! Until the 15th Feb, early bird tickets are at a discounted price of £8 (£10 after the 15th). Get a group of friends together for a fun-filled and thrilling event!

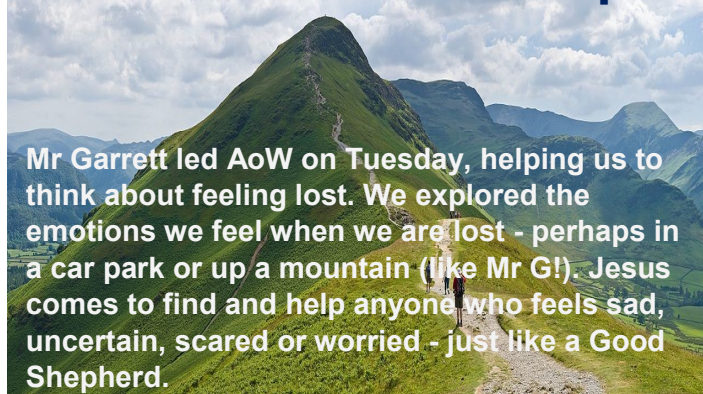
Tickets will go on sale externally from Wed, 6th Feb, so guarantee your seats by taking advantage of Chevening's exclusive ticket sales from Monday!

Chevening Cinema—Kids' Movie Night—Fri 8th March—Details to follow soon!

PTA Spring Ball - 23rd March 7pm Incredibly, all sold out in a record 5 minutes!

2nd April 2019—Easter Fun Day—Watch this space!

News from Act of Worship



Mr Garrett led AoW on Tuesday, helping us to think about feeling lost. We explored the emotions we feel when we are lost - perhaps in a car park or up a mountain (like Mr G!). Jesus comes to find and help anyone who feels sad, uncertain, scared or worried - just like a Good Shepherd.

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