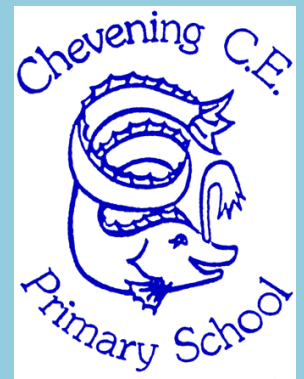


Chevening (St Botolph's) CE Primary School

Newsletter 26 - 11th May 2018

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Dear Parents and Carers,

Baby news

Congratulations to Mr & Mrs Edwards on the safe arrival of Oscar George who was born on Monday 7th May. Mum and baby are doing well!



'Connected' – Confident Parenting in a Digital Age

The internet has revolutionised the way that we live our lives. From smartphones to social media, digital technology allows young people to develop life skills and build connections in ways that were never previously possible. However, parents can feel out of touch with their children's online habits and can be concerned about how to protect their children. Alternatively, there are advantages as the internet can be used as a tool for good within families too.

Please see the attached flyer with information of how to book a place at the event taking place in Tonbridge on Tuesday 5th June which will arm you with practical tips on how to guide your family through the highs and lows of the digital world.

SATS tests next week

Just to confirm that in order to keep the school as quiet as possible during the year 6 SATS tests, there will be no music tuition at all next week. Also due to the hall needing to be ready for the children, there will be no Judo Club on Thursday 17th May.

200th Anniversary

This year the school is celebrating 200 years since the first school in the parish. There will be more information about this over the coming weeks but the aim is to hold celebratory events in September. We have a small committee planning these and would be grateful if a parent would be able to join this group. If you would like to do this, please contact the school office.

Lion King – Save the Date

We will be performing two shows of The Lion King on 20th July. These will take place at 2pm and 5pm. Please save the date if you would like to be there and we will send out information about tickets nearer the time.

New Mini-bus drivers needed

We need to widen our pool of minibus drivers in order to be able to transport children on class visits. The requirements to drive a school minibus are:-

- Have the category D1 on your driving licence (automatically there if you passed your test before 1.1.97)

Diary Dates

Every Friday

Parent Prayer Meeting
after school drop off

Term 5

Throughout May

KS1 tests

12th May

Annual Maintenance Morning
9:00 - 12 noon

w/c 14th May

KS2 tests

17th-18th May

Class 5 Residential

22nd May 18:00 - 19:00 or

23rd May 14:15 - 15:15

Secondary Transfer
Information Meeting
for year 5 parents

23rd May

PTA Meeting at 9:00

25th May

Superhero Day &
Last day of term 5

4th June

INSET DAY
(no children in school)

- If licence was acquired after 1.1.97 you need to have taken and passed a D1 PVC test in order to gain the D1 category
- Undertake and passed a Kent Minibus Course (arranged by us in the Autumn term if 8 people volunteer)
- Complete a DBS check through the school

Drivers can be parents, other relatives, governors, members of Chevening community, staff etc. but of course we need them to be available for helping out with trips during the school weeks.

Superhero Day – 25th May

Some of our class 6 students are organising a fundraising event for Cancer Research which will take place on the last day of term 5. Everyone is invited to bring £1 (or more) in exchange for dressing as a Superhero for the day. Your outfit can replicate a well known superhero or you can create one of your own. There will be a prize for the best dressed superhero in each class.

Flower Rota

A huge thank you to all parents and carers who donate flowers to the school reception area. It really does brighten up the space. If you would like to donate a small bunch of flowers please add your name to the sign up sheet in the school reception area.

PTA Meeting

The next PTA Meeting will be held on Wednesday 23rd May in school. Please sign in at reception to be directed to the meeting room. We will be finalising the Summer Fair arrangements such as allocation of stalls for classes and therefore we request a class rep. to attend from each class. All parents and carers are welcome and we look forward to seeing you there.

Summer Fair

The Summer Fair is going to be held in Chevening Gardens on Sunday 1st July from 2pm - 5pm. We are very privileged to be able to host our fair in the grounds of Chevening House and in previous years this event has been a huge fundraiser for the school, so we're hoping this will be a big success once again. We have a small committee of key organisers at the moment but if anyone would like to be involved in the coordination and run up to the event please let Heidi Brooks or Katie Williams know.

Chipstead Allotment Gardens

A couple of Chipstead Allotment Gardens have become available to rent - (average cost £10 payable annually, plus a one off fee of £10 to join The Allotment Association.) It is possible for two families or a couple of friends to share a plot.

This is a great way to get more exercise & fresh air and enjoy inexpensive fruit, vegetables and flowers that have been locally grown.

If you are interested please email The Letting Officer valwoodruff@icloud.com

Chevening School Nursery's Race night

Fancy a trip to the races without leaving Sevenoaks? The thrill and spectacle of the race course is coming to you for one night only!

Save the date for a horse race night at Chipstead Parish Hall, Saturday 16th June from 7:30-10:30pm. Try your luck on the horses, savour some good food and enjoy the fun with friends, all while helping to raise much needed funds for Chevening School Nursery's new building.

For more details please contact the nursery direct. - 01732 452342

Sevenoaks Sports Camps

Please see the flyers advertising the Camps and activities available from Sevenoaks School Sports Centre during the May holiday week and the Summer Holidays; these are on display in the 'Community Events' window of the Music Room.

Kind regards,

Kathy Taylor
Headteacher

Diary Dates cont.

5th June

First day of term 6

14th June

Sex/Relationships Education
Information meeting for
parents (year 5/6) - 14:00

17th June

School Service at St
Botolph's Church - 10:30

20th June

District Sports at Knole
Academy - 17:00 - 19:00

21st June

Welcome Meeting for new
Reception parents - 19:00

22nd June

PTA Cake Sale
Class 1 - 15:15

22nd June

Class 3 Sleepover

27th June

New reception children
'Stay and Play' Session 1

29th June

Sports Day

29th June

PTA Lolly sale at Sports Day
Class R

1st July

PTA Summer Fair
At Chevening House

2nd-4th July

Class 6 Residential

4th July

New Reception children
'Stay and Play' Session 2

5th July

Secondary School Induction
Day/Class swaps