

Chevening (St Botolph's) CE Primary School

Newsletter 25 - 4th May 2018

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Dear Parents and Carers,

Weekly Parent Prayer Meeting

Please note that with immediate effect the weekly parent prayer meeting will take place every FRIDAY morning. Please come to school reception to confirm the venue for the meeting and sign in.

Annual Maintenance Morning

Saturday 12th May is our spring work party and if you can spare an hour or more between 9 - 12am you would be very welcome. Please wear old clothes and bring gloves as it might be dirty work. There will be a number of different jobs but three main ones; these will be dependent on numbers of volunteers helping.

- Clean and sort all the gazebos from store shed, erect, check and clean
- Rake out the old pointing on retaining wall by office
- Clear swimming pool changing rooms and start stripping out into a skip

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)
- 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

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.

Chipstead Place Lawn Tennis Club – Open Afternoon

Chipstead Place LTC is hosting an open afternoon at the club (The Old Garden Road, TN13 2RJ) on Saturday 12th May from 1.30-4.30pm. Do come along and take part in the free taster coaching, adult mix-in's, refreshments and a bouncy castle. There will also be the opportunity to find out more about the program at the club!

'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.

Diary Dates

Every Friday
Parent Prayer Meeting
after school drop off

Term 5

Throughout May
KS1 tests

8th May
Class Photo's

10th May
PTA Cake Sale
Class 5 at 3:15pm

10th-11th May
Class 4 Residential

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

25th May
Superhero Day &
Last day of term 5

4th June
INSET DAY
(no children in school)

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 Notices

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.

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

Reminder of useful contact information for parents

Attendance/sickness information - Mrs Grobbelaar reception@chevening.kent.sch.uk

EMC or Active8 bookings/cancellations - Mrs Grobbelaar reception@chevening.kent.sch.uk

EMC or Active8 bills - Mrs Thewlis bursar@chevening.kent.sch.uk

Admissions - Mrs Weller office@chevening.kent.sch.uk

School lunch orders/changes/cancellations - Mrs Grobbelaar reception@chevening.kent.sch.uk

School lunch payments - online at www.principals-catering.com or correct cash (no cheques) in a named envelope to the office or pay by debit/credit card via telephone 07483 425779

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