

# Chevening (St Botolph's) CE Primary School

## Newsletter 19 - 23<sup>rd</sup> February 2018

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Dear Parents and Carers,

Welcome back. I hope you had a lovely break over half term and that the children are re-energised ready for the term ahead.

### **Chevening School Rabbits Plea**

There are still quite a few open slots for the care of the Chevening School Rabbits over the weekends during term 4. We are only able to have the rabbits in school if we are able to cover their care at the weekends and so without your support we will be unable to enjoy our furry friends! Please consider signing up to care for them during this time. The signup sheets are up in the school reception area.

### **Swimming Pool Update**

There has been a great deal of work going on behind the scenes to enable the work on the swimming pool to take place. This is a complex process involving planning consent to house the new works, agreements for new service supplies etc. We are at the stage where we are now going out to tender which is very exciting. Although there is still an outside chance of work being completed for Term 6, this is very slim and in all likelihood the pool will not be able to be used this summer. We understand that this will cause some disappointment, but unfortunately the pool condition is such that until it is refurbished we are not able to use it and so even delaying the work until after the summer would not help. However, we are exploring the option of running the KS2 swimming gala at another local pool and are excited by the opportunity to develop a really good athletics offer; this area of sport is often under developed in the summer as so much time is spent in the pool.

### **Book Week competition**

The School Council is running a competition to tie in with Book Week and the Book Fair. They would like children to create a model of a book character or book setting inside a shoe box (on its side so that it can be seen). Please can the creations (clearly labelled with name and class) be brought into the school library on the morning of Monday 26th February where they will be displayed. The School Council will judge the competition and will announce a winner for KS1 and a winner for KS2 on Thursday 1st March. The prizes are vouchers to spend at the **Book Fair which will be open from Monday in the school Library.**

### **Class 4 cake sale - Friday 2nd March**

Class 4 will be selling cakes after school next Friday; all money will be donated to the Royal Marsden hospitals. There will be a good spread of various cakes including a few whole cakes that you may want to buy in time for the weekend or to freeze. Please do bring your spare pennies and buy some cakes and hopefully we will raise a good some of money for these hospitals. Thank you.

### **Prizes for Code Breakers!**

Congratulations to Sasha, Rosie, Isla and Hannah who, as a team, have all taken part in the **2018 Alan Turing Cryptography Competition** and each won a prize of an Amazon voucher for their entries. Well done!

### **School Uniform**

There are a lot of non-uniform items of clothing appearing in school. This is particularly noticeable at playtime with many different coloured coats very visible. In the next few weeks **every** class will be going out of school on a trip (Science week visits to Sevenoaks School and Leeds Castle), so I would like to remind parents that children should be wearing navy blue coats. In addition, long hair should be secured with a plain navy fastening.

### **Parent /Teacher Consultations**

The website to book consultations is open for you to book an appointment for your child. It will close on Tuesday 6<sup>th</sup> March. Access via [www.schoolinterviews.co.uk](http://www.schoolinterviews.co.uk) using the code **a5e59**.

## Diary Dates

**Every Tuesday**  
Parent Prayer Meeting  
in the Library  
after school drop off

### Term 4

**24<sup>th</sup> February**  
PTA Ball

**26<sup>th</sup> February - 2<sup>nd</sup> March**  
Book Fair

**1<sup>st</sup> March**  
World Book Day  
(Dress as a book character)

**2<sup>nd</sup> March**  
Cake Sale after School  
in aid of Royal Marsden  
(Class 4)

**9<sup>th</sup> March**  
PTA Movie Night

**12<sup>th</sup> March**  
Parent/Teacher Consultations  
5 - 8pm

**15<sup>th</sup> March**  
Parent/Teacher Consultations  
3.30 - 6.30pm

**27<sup>th</sup> March**  
PTA Easter Fun Day

**27<sup>th</sup> March**  
Love2Dance  
at The Stag Theatre

## PTA Notices

### Movie night

The next School Movie Night will be held on Friday 9th March, from 17:00 – 19:15.

We kindly request a donation of £5 per child, which includes a hot dog, drink and popcorn!

The School Council has voted the following 3 films for viewing: Moana, Boss Baby and Captain Underpants.

Please complete the attached permission slip if your child/ren would like to attend and return to the School Office, along with your payment, no later than Monday 5th March. Thank you.

### Easter Fun Day

The children have all been given a flyer today about the Easter Fun day on 27<sup>th</sup> March. A copy of the flyer is attached for your convenience.

### Summer Fair

The PTA are in the very early stages of planning the Summer Fair and we're pleased to announce that this year it 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.

Kind regards,

Kathy Taylor  
Headteacher

### Reminder of useful contact information for parents

**Attendance/sickness information** - Mrs Grobbelaar [reception@chevening.kent.sch.uk](mailto:reception@chevening.kent.sch.uk)

**EMC or Active8 bookings/cancellations** - Mrs Grobbelaar [reception@chevening.kent.sch.uk](mailto:reception@chevening.kent.sch.uk)

**EMC or Active8 bills** - Mrs Thewlis [bursar@chevening.kent.sch.uk](mailto:bursar@chevening.kent.sch.uk)

**Admissions** - Mrs Weller [office@chevening.kent.sch.uk](mailto:office@chevening.kent.sch.uk)

**School lunch orders/changes/cancellations** - Mrs Grobbelaar [reception@chevening.kent.sch.uk](mailto:reception@chevening.kent.sch.uk)

**School lunch payments** - online at [www.principals-catering.com](http://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.

29<sup>th</sup> March

School Easter Service  
at St Botolph's Church  
at 2pm

29<sup>th</sup> March

Last day of term 4