

Chevening (St Botolph's) CE Primary School

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Dear Parents and Carers,

Playground update

As you may have seen, the playground has had some gradual changes this year. The blue play walls have been added to make the playground safer by enclosing particular areas. On Wednesday, a whole new structure will be launched giving the children an abundance of more activities to do. The main playground will be the 'active' playground and the top playground will be more creative and reflective. The active zone will run on a rota and the reflective area is open to anyone who would like to have a more relaxed break time. Year 5 will form the 'playground squad' and they will be identifiable to all and will work with younger children to help support their play, as well as other things. It is hoped that this new system will provide our children with many exciting choices that are structured, safe and fun.

If you have any specific questions, please speak to Mr Bowen.

Magical Maths Assembly

On Wednesday we had a visit from Magical Maths and 'The Professor'. He entertained the school with some mathematical tricks. Hopefully, your child should have brought a leaflet home. If there are a number of pupils interested, the 'Professor' may run an after-school magical maths club.

PTA Meeting

The next PTA Meeting will be held on Friday 2nd February in the School Library. All are welcome.

Marsden March

On the 4th March a group of parents and children are participating in the Marsden March, as we have done in the last few years. The Marsden March is a 5 mile or 14 mile walk between the Royal Marsden hospital in Chelsea to the Marsden hospital in Sutton.

The Royal Marsden hospitals care for so many patients including some from our Chevening family, so if you would like to support us and donate some money for these hospitals, please do so using this link.

<https://www.justgiving.com/fundraising/cheveningschampions2018>

Many thanks indeed from myself (Louise Dod) and all the walkers taking part, it really does make a difference.

Job Opportunity at Chevening Church – Message from Rev Chris Smith

As many of you will know Celia Box stepped down as my PA at the end of 2017. This leaves me looking for a new PA and Parish Administrator in 2018. Could this be you? Working for a church is varied, rewarding and surprisingly fun. If you are interested there is a full job spec on the church website or give me a call on 01732 453 555. The hours are 9am (ish) to 1pm based in the Parish Hall, 4-5 days per week. The rate of pay is £10.20 per hour. I only need someone term time plus two weeks in the holidays; very suitable for anyone with school age children. Please prayerfully consider applying. Rev Chris Smith.

The Alpha Course

Alpha is a practical introductory course to the Christian faith, which all are welcome to come on. We look at questions such as 'Who is Jesus?', 'How can I pray?' and 'Does God heal today?' Each evening begins with supper, is followed by a talk and then there is an opportunity to ask questions in a smaller group over tea and coffee. The course is free, although we ask for a contribution for supper. Alpha begins on Wednesday 17th January at 7:30pm in the Parish Hall. All are welcome. To sign up please speak to the Rector 01732 453 555 revcsmith@gmail.com

Diary Dates

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

Term 3

2nd February
PTA Meeting 2pm
In the School Library

4th February
School Service at St
Botolph's Church 10:30am

9th February
PTA Hot Chocolate Sale

9th February
Last day of term 3

Term 4

19th February
INSET day
(No children in school)

20th February

24th February
PTA Ball

26th February - 2nd March
Book Fair

1st March
World Book Day
(dress as a book character)

2nd March
Cake Sale after School
(Class 4)

Chevening School Rabbits

A huge thank you to all those who give their time over the weekends and during the school holidays to care for the Chevening School Rabbits! Without your support we would not be able to enjoy our furry friends! We still need help with care during February half term and all of the weekend slots during term 4. Please sign up on the sheet in the school reception area.

Kind regards,

Kathy Taylor
Headteacher

Diary Dates cont.

9th March
PTA Movie Night

27th March
PTA Easter Fun Day