

# Chevening (St Botolph's) CE Primary School

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## Parking

Following the PTA film night on Friday, I spoke with two distressed local residents, who had had to deal with very inconsiderate parking and unhelpful attitudes from adults collecting children from Chevening. Please be mindful that our residents are generally lovely and very long suffering of the traffic and noise that living by a primary school involves. It is not reasonable for them to be unable to park in or leave their own property, because members of our school community have parked across their access, even if it is for 'only a few minutes'. I would imagine that this can become very frustrating day in day out. Please park considerately and be mindful of that the tone of interactions with our neighbours reflects on the whole school community and can impact the otherwise positive relationship with have with them. Thank you.

## Crèche for Parent/Teacher Consultation evenings

Please consider volunteering just half an hour of your time before or after your child's appointment to help run a crèche whilst other parents attend appointments with teachers, we have quite a few slots still available. Please book a slot via [www.schoolinterviews.co.uk](http://www.schoolinterviews.co.uk) using the code **fvc3n** or contact the school office who will be happy to book for you.

## Year 5 Hockey Festival

Last Tuesday afternoon, 5 Year 5 pupils went to Hollybush to compete in the district Hockey festival. Although the results weren't favourable for us, all pupils played exceptionally well seeing as they had only had 2 training sessions.

## Year 3/4 Girls Football Match

After school on Thursday, girls from Year 3 & 4 played in their very first football match against Amherst. Although the result wasn't in our favour, the girls improved hugely from the experience. The second half was a great performance and showed some real signs of future success.

## Love to Dance

Our 'Love to Dance' dancers have been working really hard and are doing so well. It is very exciting to see it all coming together! The children will be performing two dances at the Stag Theatre in Sevenoaks on Thursday the 28 March at 16:00 and 18.30. Please consider supporting them and booking your ticket for either performance through the Stag Theatre booking system.

## Diary Dates

**16<sup>th</sup> March**

PTA Banana Leaf Curry Night

**17<sup>th</sup> March**

Mid-year report to Parents

**20<sup>th</sup> March**

Parent Consultations

5:00 - 8:00 pm

**22<sup>nd</sup> March**

Parent Consultations

3:30 - 6:30 pm

**23<sup>rd</sup> March**

Great British Bake off - KS2

**24<sup>th</sup> March**

PTA Coffee Morning at

The Bricklayers Arms

**26<sup>th</sup> March**

Chevening School Service

**27<sup>th</sup> March**

PTA Easter Fun Day

**28<sup>th</sup> March**

Love to Dance Show

At the Stag Theatre

**28<sup>th</sup> - 31<sup>st</sup> March**

Class 6 Residential

**31<sup>st</sup> March**

End of term Easter Service

St. Botolph's at 2pm

**18<sup>th</sup> April**

Term 5 starts

### **Reflective Garden Volunteers**

If you are available to offer a few hours of your time, approximately once a month during the summer term, to join us in maintaining the reflective garden please let the school office know.

### **Great British Bake Off**

All children in key stage 2 are invited to participate in Chevening Primary's Great British Bake Off. The challenge is to *bake* and *decorate* **four** of your own cupcakes! Your cakes will be judged on creativity, design, taste and overall appearance. Please bring entries to the school office the morning of Thursday 23<sup>rd</sup> March. The winner will go on to compete in a Bake Off against other children from local schools to be held at Knole Academy.

### **Netball Match**

On Tuesday last week the netball team travelled to Knole Academy to play in the league match against Kemsing Primary. They worked brilliantly as a team and quickly established control of the course, scoring 5:0 in the first quarter. In the remainder of the match the opposition fought back strongly, but the final score was 7:1; a great win for Chevening netballers. Well done to all the team on excellent play and great sportsmanship in their encouragement of the opposition.

### **PTA Easter Fun Day**

On Monday 27th March, the PTA are organising an Easter Fun Day for all the children in school and they have arranged for each class to take part in an Easter Egg Treasure Hunt and an Egg Rolling Competition. A good number of adult helpers will be needed throughout the day. A more detailed letter has been attached. Hard copies are available from the school office if needed. Please complete and return the Easter Fun Day return slip by Friday 17 March.

### **Recreation Ground Stream**

It has been brought to our attention that a number of children enjoy playing in the small stream running through the corner of Chipstead Recreation Ground after school. A Flood Warden and local resident has raised his concerns as this has more recently become a problem due to children throwing logs, bricks and other items into the stream. The area has in past years become blocked, causing a flood situation and we respectfully request that parents ensure that they monitor and control what children are doing while playing in the area.

Kind regards,

Kathy Taylor  
**Headteacher**

**Diary Dates cont.**