



Newsletter Friday 5th July 2019

**Issue 36** 



# Message from Headteacher

Yesterday you received a copy of our OFSTED report. We are so excited to share this with you and so grateful for all the positive feedback we have received, THANK YOU, we really do appreciate it. The entire report reads so positively it's difficult to pick parts to highlight, but I wanted to specifically mention the sense of whole school community that was present. Many parents took time to speak to the inspectors themselves or sent letters to them directly and completed the Parent View. The children spoke with such pride about our school it was heart-warming. Staff and governor's morale was highly committed - a 'real team'. All of these make good outcomes for our children and we should all take pride in this achievement.

Last Friday, in the blistering sun, was Chadsmead's Summer Fayre. It was a lovely event with a real community feel. Support from parents and family members was clearly evident and made a truly successful event – and I didn't mind getting soaked! We raised £2800, which we are putting towards the cost of a new touchscreen (interactive display technology) in Early Years.

The Early Years outdoor area has been undergoing a revamp. We have installed playground climbing equipment, a new stage and sandpit, and a water play area. Yesterday, new playground markings were added. We appreciate your patience with the builders during this process - but we know that it will all be worth it.

Your child's report is coming home today. This is an important document that needs to be opened and read carefully at the correct time and in the correct place. Reports should not be opened outside school; they should be opened at home. Please do share the contents of your child's report with your child. We would appreciate the return of the feedback form.

# What's on next week

### Monday 8<sup>th</sup> July:



- KS2 Sports Day 9.30am
- KS2 Badminton 3.20-4.20pm
- Lego Club 3.20-4.20pm

# Tuesday 9<sup>th</sup> July:

- Choir 8.20-8.50am
- EYFS and KS1 Sports Day 9.30am
- Singing, Woodwind & Guitar Lessons
- KS2 Athletics 3.20-4.20pm

#### Wednesday 10<sup>th</sup> July:

- Violin & Keyboard Lessons
- Meet the new teacher 5-6pm

#### Thursday 11<sup>th</sup> July:

- Drum Lessons
- KS1 Athletics 3.20-4.20pm

# Friday 12<sup>th</sup> July:

• KS2 Rounders 3.20-4.20pm

See you on Monday and/or Tuesday for Sports Day!

#### Years 1 & 2

In English this week we have continued our work on The Good Dinosaur, innovating the text by making changes to the events that happen to create a new story. In maths, Year 2 have begun to look at 3 digit numbers and representing them using Dienes and place value charts. Year 1 have been practising adding ones to a two-digit number as well as subtracting!

In our theme lessons we have been learning about Mary Anning! We learnt about how she discovered the fossil of an Ichthyosaurus on a beach in Lyme Regis. We then created our own dinosaur fossils with salt dough. We also investigated why we have two eyes by completing tasks once with one eye closed and then with both eyes open!

This week we also spent a morning with our new class teachers as well as new class mates!

# Years 3 & 4

Year 3 & 4 have enjoyed their theme work this week when they have been experimenting using wax.

We retold the story of Icarus the Greek legend who flew too close to the sun.

We then made some 'wax wings' and placed them in different temperatures - one in an oven, one in a freezer, one in water and one in the classroom.

It was amazing to see the children's faces as they saw what happened and we then talked about the effect of the temperature on the wax.

We have also finished our assessments this week which have seen everyone work extremely hard. Well done to everyone for this!

# Years 5 & 6

Year 6 began and ended this week with two more sessions of Police Cadets and were also visited by our friends from Wade Street church where they discussed their transition to High School. They have also started to think about, plan and practise parts of their leavers service.

We have all continued with our theme about Mexico and have looked at the Maya Civilization and the geography of Mexico during the week.

We had our transition day this week, the children met their teachers for next year and shared thoughts, opinions and solved any concerns about these new classes.

Year 5 pupils have been asked to think about whether they would like to stand for election as House Captain and if so to prepare a speech saying why they would be a good at this job. They will deliver this speech in an assembly during our final week of term. Another busy week!

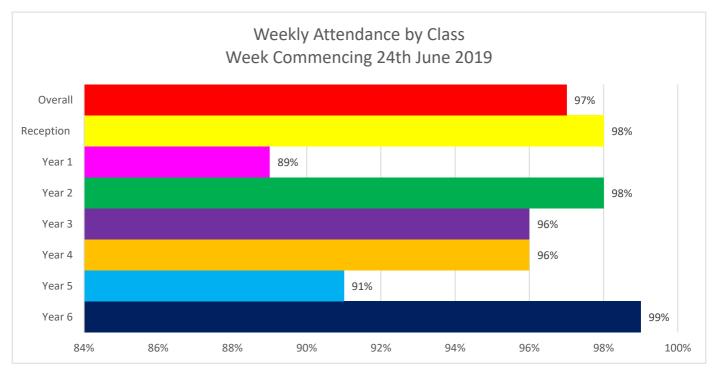
### **Sports Day**

KS2 Sports Day – Monday 8<sup>th</sup> July 9.30am EYFS and KS1 – Tuesday 9<sup>th</sup> July 9.30am

Children can wear sports clothes for the entire day on these days, wearing a t-shirt in the colour of their house;

Darwin – Red Garrick – Yellow Johnson – Green St Chad – Blue

Please can all children bring a water bottle as sports days are a thirsty business! We look forward to seeing you there.



For up to date information visit: www.chadsmeadacademy.co.uk

#### CHADSMEAD PRIMARY ACADEMY

#### 5<sup>th</sup> JULY NEWSLETTER

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# Message from the Local Governing Body

Dear Children and School Families,

I hope that you have had an opportunity to read the Ofsted report which you have been given this week (it is also on the school website) and celebrate the huge improvement that has taken place at school over the last 4 years. Please do take a moment to tell your child(ren)'s teachers and staff how much you appreciate all of the work that they have done during some difficult times, to keep faith and focus on doing their very best for our children. Now this has been acknowledged in such a positive way with the school graded a strong 'Good' with outstanding leadership, there is solid evidence to rebuild our reputation in the community and we will keep working to maintain and improve on this success.

Your support has always been appreciated. We will always achieve more together.

Thank you to all children, staff and CAT for all of their effort, representing the school so positively and congratulations to them all on this amazing and impressive achievement. Please also join me in thanking the Governors for volunteering their time for the benefit of the school.

It is lovely to end the year on such a high note and all Governors wish the children and families leaving the school this year all the very best for the future and we look forward to being part of the Chadsmead team in the new school year ahead.

Wishing everyone a wonderful summer!

Warmest good wishes

Iona Chisholm Chair of Governors

# **Online Safety and Parental Controls**

\*The NSPCC are currently working closely together with O2 to provide the most up to date and effective advice. \*O2 have a helpline which parents can call to ask advice on all aspects of parental controls on devices. (The number can be found on the attached link) \*A parent can go into any O2 store and ask them to help them to set parental controls on their child's device and they will gladly do this for free.

\*Primary schools can ask for an O2 advisor to come into school to complete a workshop with parents where they can bring their devices into school and ensure that the parental controls have been applied. O2 will do this for all types of devices not just phones including iPads and gaming machines such as PlayStations and Xboxes.

Please see the link below for further information.

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# Year 5 & 6 Swimming Gala

Children from Year 5 and 6 attended a swimming gala at the Friary on Monday. Miss Hathaway and Mrs really Dennis were impressed with the behaviour of the children throughout the event. They all did brilliantly in their events, with the boy's team coming first overall in the competition!



#### School Events 2019

Monday 8 <sup>th</sup> July 2019	KS2 Sports Day
Tuesday 9th July 2019	EYFS & KS1 Sports Day
Monday 15 <sup>th</sup> July 2019	Year 6 Prom 6.30pm
Friday 19th July 2019	Year 6 Leavers Assembly 9.30am
Friday 19th July 2019	Last Day of Term



# Children invited to join Space Chase at Staffordshire libraries

Staffordshire libraries are calling for children to sign up to read six books this summer as part of Space Chase, Summer Reading Challenge 2019.

The Summer Reading Challenge asks 4-11 year olds to borrow and read any six library books over the summer. The theme for the 2019 Summer Reading Challenge is Space Chase, inspired by the 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the first moon landing.

Children will team up with futuristic family The Rockets for an exciting space mission as they track down books nabbed by a mischievous band of aliens. As children read library books for the Summer Reading Challenge, they will receive special stickers, some with mysterious smells. By adding these stickers to their collectable mission folders, young readers will help the Rockets solve clues, dodge asteroids and discover the missing books, having lots of fun and adventures along the way.

To take part in Space Chase, all children need to do is sign up at their nearest library, where they will be given a FREE collector folder to keep a record of their Summer Reading Challenge journey.

Space Chase launches in libraries across Staffordshire Libraries on Saturday 13 July and runs until  $9^{th}$  September 2019.

There's a whole programme of events and activities planned at Staffordshire libraries for families over the summer to celebrate the Summer Reading Challenge, including events at Lichfield Library including finding out about animals in space with Zoolab, Space ice cream with the Fizz Pop Science Co. and a Space camp.

For more details pop into the library for a leaflet or see our events page:

https://apps2.staffordshire.gov.uk/scc/eventscalendar/



# **Election Fever at Chadsmead!**

Election Day has happened in school this week and election fever has been felt all around school! All children have joined in to vote in the School Council Elections – results will be posted next week!

