



Message from Headteacher

Our first full week back has been a little strange with all of our Year 6 children away at camp. When I visited all the children were bouncing with excitement. They were keen to tell me about their accomplishments and how brave each other was to attempt activities for the first time. I was very proud of their recognition of each other. I expect them to sleep well over the weekend! A huge thank you to the staff that have accompanied them to camp and volunteered their own time away from families to facilitate this trip – Mrs Chapman, Mrs Miles, Mrs Swallow and Mr Stevens.

The rest of the school have also been very busy. The Reception and Nursery children are settling in well and everyone else is back in the swing as if there has never been a holiday! New class timetables are on the website should you need to check and sports clubs start next week.

Last year we introduced a new house system across school. Our houses are Darwin, Garrick, Johnson and St Chad. In recognition of these houses staff designed a piece of wall art, that was installed over the holiday. It is in Red wing and can be seen from the smaller KS2 playground. I encourage you come and have a look, either at drop off or pick up times or parents evening. (See back page of newsletter for the wall art image).

What's on next week



Monday 16th September:

- KS2 Football 3.20-4.20pm
- Lego Club 3.20-4.20pm
- Mad Science Club 3.20-4.20pm

Tuesday 17th September:

- Choir 8.20-8.50am
- Singing, Woodwind & Guitar Lessons
- KS2 Healthy Lifestyle 3.20-4.20pm

Wednesday 18th September:

- Violin & Keyboard Lessons
- Street Dance Club 8.15-8.45am

Thursday 19th September:

- Drum Lessons
- Year 4 Swimming Lessons
- KS2 Street Dance 3.20-4.20pm

Friday 20th September:

- KS2 Netball & Basketball 3.20-4.20pm

Years 1 & 2

The children in Year 1 and Year 2 have had a very busy week. We have started learning about a new story in our theme time called 'The 'Disgusting Sandwich''. The children have produced some fabulous writing.

In maths, Year 2 have been working on partitioning two digit numbers and read and writing numbers in words. Year 1 have been working on reading and writing numerals to 10 to make sure they are secure. They have also been working on number bonds to 10. In our theme we have been thinking about changing materials. The vocabulary we are working on is opaque and transparent.

This week we are sending the children home with some homework in their purple homework book. Please can we ask you to support your child to complete this?

Years 3 & 4

This week we have drawn up our Class Charter and agreed the rules we think are sensible for us all to enjoy a safe, friendly working environment. We have learned to celebrate some of the things which make us proud and how we can be kind to each other.

In theme lessons it has been fun biting into a piece of polystyrene and identifying where our teeth are what their purpose is.

Year 3 have been learning about deriving new number facts from known facts e.g. $16+5=21$ so $21-5=6$ whilst Year 4 have been learning about place value. Also children have loved our new guided reading text Demon Dentist and also seem very keen to quiz on their reading books. All in all, a very busy week!

Year 5

Year 5 this week have been looking in more detail at our Egyptian theme, whilst Year 6 have been at Whitemoor Lakes. We have learnt about Egyptian Numbers, made Egyptian style collars and learnt about squared and cubed numbers. In addition, we have written poetry and descriptions of places in Egypt and have continued to enjoy our Egyptian whole class reader - The Phoenix Code. We are looking forward to Friday afternoon's showcase of our work.

Year 6

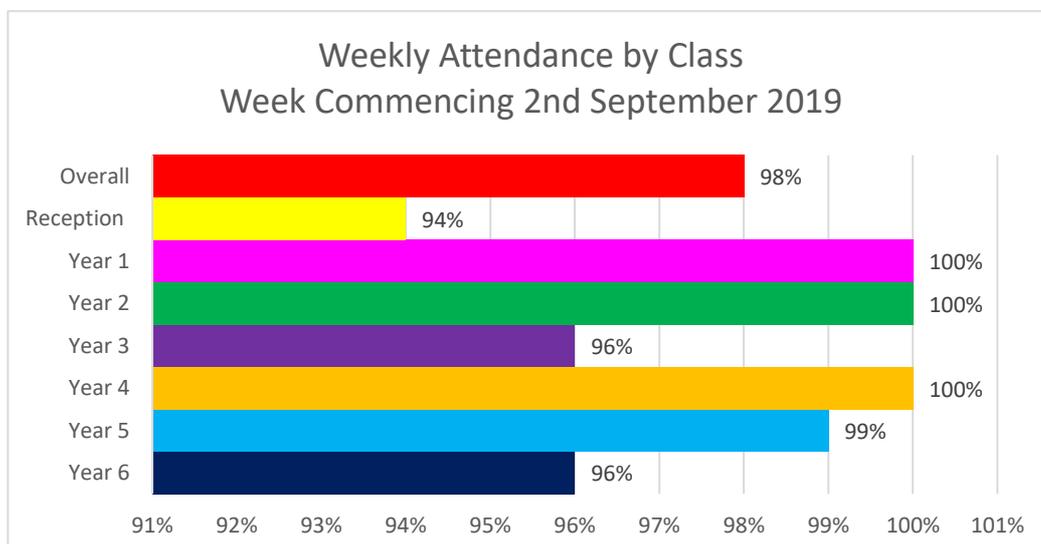
Today is Thursday and Year 6 are having a great time at Whitemoor Lakes. The weather has been mostly good to us and we are really impressed with how the children have pushed themselves just a little bit past their comfort zone, as well as the teamwork they have shown to solve a variety of problems. Everyone is eating well, showering when needed and bedtimes have been calm.

We hope the photographs have been useful, it takes a really long time for each one to download!

Let's hope packing tomorrow is stress free!

Website

Please note that copies of all letters sent home can be found on our website under the 'Parents & Families' tab, 'Virtual Office'.





Late drop off

If your child is late to school in the morning you will now need to complete a form which is available in the school reception foyer. This will speed up the morning process getting your child into class and also to comply with GDPR.

Aldi

Pick up your Team GB sticker every time you spend £30 in Aldi and bring them into school for us to add to our poster! With Aldi's Kit for Schools, if we collect 300 Team GB stickers we will receive an exclusive school sports kit and the chance to win £20,000 for a health legacy at our school.



After School Clubs

Letters have been sent home this week confirming spaces in Progressive Sports Clubs, we will send confirmation letters for Morning Street Dance and Lunchtime Gardening Club early next week. We also have Mad Science club starting on Monday 16th September – please log on to www.madscience.org/westmidlands to book your child's space.



Gardening Club

Well ... the summer break flew by and the pumpkins we planted last term have grown well. If you would like to learn how to grow flowers and vegetables sign up for the gardening club which starts on the 24th September.



Houses Wall Art shown below which can be seen in Red Wing Entrance



CHADSMEAD PRIMARY ACADEMY



Term Dates 2019 to 2020

Autumn Term 2019

Opens	Wednesday 4 th September 2019
Closes	Thursday 24 th October 2019
Opens	Monday 4 th November 2019
Closes	Friday 20 th December 2019

Spring Term 2020

Opens	Monday 6 th January 2020
Closes	Friday 14 th February 2020
Opens	Monday 24 th February 2020
Closes	Friday 3 rd April 2020

Summer Term 2020

Opens	Monday 20 th April 2020
Bank Holiday Friday (School is closed)	Friday 8 th May 2020
Closes	Friday 22 nd May 2020
Opens	Monday 1 st June 2020
Closes	Friday 17 th July 2020

6 School Inset Days (School will be closed)

Monday 2 nd September 2019
Tuesday 3 rd September 2019
Friday 25 th October 2019
Thursday 7 th May 2020 (Polling Day)
Friday 19 th June 2020
Monday 20 th July 2020