

CHADSMEAD CHRONICLE



Reminders: Spooky Disco ticket deadline Monday 9th October. Evam Village Year 5 Trip Payment Due

6th October 2017

Letters: Y5/6 Football Tournament, Foodbank, Spooky Disco

What's on next week				
Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
	PTFA Meeting— 8.30 pm Hedgehog to discuss Christmas Fair. All Welcome.	Boys Football—Beacon Park		(

Thank you so much for supporting 'Winner Winner Chicken Dinner' day. 68% of the school took part, with a colossal 85% of children in Early Years and Key Stage 1 eating a school dinner. The event was a great success and I especially enjoyed spending my dinner time with them all.

This week our Year 6 children took part in Bikeability. This is a government initiative which teaches the necessary skills to ride confidently on today's roads. Whilst the children were riding in the local community a member of the public phoned the school to praise the children's manners and behaviour. I was so proud of how the children represented our school that I felt I should share this positive feedback. I am sure all the other year groups will get the chance to impress the public throughout the year – great start Year 6.

Please let me remind you of our Harvest Festival in two weeks. As last year, we are collecting for The Food Bank; an organisation that works to tackle food poverty and hunger in our local community, as well as across the UK. I'm sure you'll agree it is a suitable and worthwhile cause and I implore you to donate as much as you can from the list provided. The Harvest Festival service for Years 3 -6 will be Wednesday 18 October at 9:30am.

Gemma Grainger Headteacher

> Please help local people in crisis by buying items from the list and placing them in **Lichfield foodbank's** collection trolley, at Chadsmead Primary Academy.

<u>PTFA</u>

Spooky Disco—Thursday 19th October

Reminder—ticket order slip with payment deadline Monday 9th October.

Christmas Fair Ideas Meeting—Tuesday 10th October 8.30pm at the Hedgehog. All welcome.



- * Tinned fish
- * Rice pudding
- * Long-life milk
- * Snacks (eg cereal bars, crisps, nuts)
- * Tinned fruit
- * Long-life fruit juice
- * Cereals
- * Jam
- * Coffee
- * Tinned peas and carrots
- * Pasta sauce
- * Instant mash
- * Custard
- * Biscuits
- * Chocolate
- * Tinned tomatoes
- * Sugar 500g

What should children wear in school?

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We believe that children should wear uniform in school. We would like children to have pride in being a part of Chadsmead Primary Academy and in maintaining a well-dressed and smart appearance.

If your child is unable to wear an item of the uniform temporarily, please let us know by letter. We have never yet sent a child home for being improperly dressed, but we reserve the right to do so. If you are not sure about what is appropriate we would be pleased to talk with you.

Girls:

- Grey 'school type' trousers, shorts, skirt or pinafore dress
- White or blue polo shirt (logo not required)
- Chadsmead sweatshirt or V-necked cardigan with school logo
- Black school shoes (flat sole/low heels, not trainers or boots)
- Grey/White socks/tights
- Blue check only dresses (Optional-Summer term only)
- Plain blue/black hair band if required (no JoJo bows or equivalent)

NB: Summer fashion shoes e.g. 'jelly beans', flip flops, open toed sandals, and canvas shoes etc are **not permitted**

PE:

- Black shorts
- Plain white or blue T-Shirt
- Black pumps or trainers
- Black Tracksuit (limited logos) in cold weather

Swimming:

- Plain one-piece swimming costume
- Towe
- Swimming hats for long hair

EVERY item of uniform <u>MUST</u> be marked with the child's full name

Smart Uniform



Bovs:

- Grey 'school type' trousers or shorts
- White or blue polo shirt (logo not required)
- Chadsmead sweatshirt
- Black school shoes (flat sole/low heels, not trainers or boots)
- Grey/White socks
- Plain blue/black hair band if required

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PE:

- Black shorts
- Plain white or blue T-Shirt
- Black pumps or trainers
- Black Tracksuit (limited logos) in cold weather

Swimming:

- Plain swim trunks
- Towel
- Swimming hats for long hair
- Jewellery must not be worn in school at any time.
- We prefer children NOT to wear earrings because of potential for accidents. However, small round 'ball like' silver/gold studs may be worn ONLY. These MUST be removed for PE/Games or covered with a plaster provided by home.
- Hair for girls and boys which is longer than shoulder length MUST be tied back.
- Extreme hair styles are not permitted. Only natural hair colours are permitted

Year Group Updates

Nursery & Reception

This week Early Years have been learning all about their 5 senses. The children have explored making different sounds using the musical instruments, painting with spices, making letters with spaghetti, guessing what is in the plastic eggs and balloons, exploring different flavour teabags in the water and making a potato head out of vegetables.

Year 1 & 2

In Year 1 and 2 we have been completing assessments in all areas and we are very pleased to see the amount of progress already made. We have also started our new unit of work of instructions for English. We have continued to have science and art fun using different mixtures and investigations.

Year 3 & 4

This week Year 3 and 4 have had a very creative theme afternoon building models of the digestive system.

We used all manner of materials (thanks for the donations!) to help us create the major parts in our bodies.

Following this, the children wrote about the part they made and what its purpose is.

Our numeracy work has seen us do a Maths quiz to assess where the children are at and also more work on numbers.

Please keep up with the home reading as this impacts hugely on each child's progress.

Year 5

This week Year 5 have followed their plans and carried out their scientific enquiry to find out how hygienic the school is. The children chose surfaces around school to take swabs from and have placed the swabs in agar jelly. We are waiting for the bacteria to start growing now. The children are checking the petri dishes every day to see if there have been any changes. We will let you know the results!

In Talk 4 Writing we have moved onto Recount texts and have read a first person recount about someone who has the plague.

Year 6

Year 6 have had a busy week as usual with most of our children completing Bikeability and achieving their certificates. We were very proud when a local resident complimented their behaviour as she watched them taking part. This week has also seen the first singing session with Ben Lamb from Lichfield Cathedral in preparation for the 'Friday Afternoons' project. We hope that most of our pupils will take part in the concert on Friday 3rd November (further details to follow nearer the time). Please note that our PE days are Tuesday (outdoor kit required) and Wednesday (indoor kit required). Homework (purple) books are due in on Tuesdays and spelling homework/tests are on Wednesdays. Please ensure children always have their equipment in school.

SENCO Update

Please can we ask that parents who engage with any external agencies please let school know by talking to class teachers or by letting the school office know. This is really important if your child has been referred on by a health visitor or medical professional as they may not notify school automatically. Your child's class teacher or the school office staff will then let me know. This ensures that we are aware of all the children in school that are receiving additional support.

Thank you. Mrs Cadman.

App of the week



Jolly Phonics—Letter Sounds



Please note that although we check the suitability of Applications, they can be changed without notice. Parents should therefore check the Application BEFORE children go on to them.

Key Stage 2 Snack Money £1 Coins

Don't forget that the old style £1 coins will cease to be legal tender from Sunday 15th October 2017, please ensure only new style £1 coins are sent into school after this date.

Thank you.

John Taylor Free School Admissions

We're aware that there is considerable interest amongst parents in the new school run by John Taylor at Tatenhill. This is especially true for those of you with children in Year 6 who are about to choose their secondary school.

As the school is yet to open, applications for places into Year 7 for September 2018 are made directly to the school itself (i.e. not as part of County Council's process). Information about the school, and an application form, can be found online at www.johntaylorfreeschool.co.uk. The form is very straightforward and only takes a couple of minutes to complete.

Please note that this application can be made **as well as, not instead of**, any application made through the County Council process – giving parents this year, in effect, an extra choice. The school has **no catchment area**, and will welcome applications from anyone.

An open evening has been planned by the school for those who would like to find out more. This will take place on **Tuesday 10th October** (6:00 pm - 8:00 pm) in the Training Centre at John Taylor High School in Barton-under-Needwood.

The event will be a chance to meet key staff at the new school (including the newly appointed Head of School), hear about the curriculum and the school's approach to teaching and learning, and look at the layout of the site and its facilities. All are welcome.



