



CHADSMEAD CHRONICLE



Reminders: Music tuition and after school clubs fees due.

14th September

Letters: Housepoint Letter/Y3-4 Walk to Beacon Park/Year Group Timetables/Year 5 arrangements

| What's on next week ... | | | | |
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| Monday | Tuesday | Wednesday | Thursday | Friday |
| Year 6 Whitemoor Lakes 11am drop off Year 3/4 walk to Beacon Park Science Club 3.20-4.20pm Y3/4 Football club 3.20-4.20pm | Year 6 Whitemoor Lakes Y1/2 Invasion Games 3.20-4.20pm | Year 6 Whitemoor Lakes | Year 6 Whitemoor Lakes Year 4 Swimming Y1/2 Dodgeball 3.20-4.20pm | Year 6 Whitemoor Lakes 2pm collection Year 5 Fashion Show 2.15pm KS2 Netball 3.20-4.20pm |

Message from Mrs Grainger

Our first full week of this academic year has flown by, with all the children and staff getting used to the new routines and expectations. I hope you have found the timetables useful and that you can check when your child needs a sports kit. The timetables are also available on the website.

When your child is at school they are very likely to be taught lessons in groups by teachers other than the registration teacher. This is common practice in all schools. If you wish to know which groups your children are in, contact your registration teacher. Please bear in mind that groups are often fluid and interchangeable.

Letters have also gone home this week detailing our new housepoint system. We are very excited to introduce our teams. Hopefully you now know which house your child is in. Again this information is on the website.

Some polite but important reminders:

We have a number of documents that are vital to the safeguarding of your children in school. If you have not done so already, please return asap.

Collection Forms: This details who can pick up your children at the end of the day. We will only release your children to those named on the list. Those on the list must be over 16. If you wish for your child to walk home alone, we will need this as written confirmation.

Image Consent Forms: These are completed to comply with the General Data Protection Regulation (GDPR) and are concerned with consent before the school records any images of your child. With no form completed your child will be unable to be part of any photograph, including individual and class photo. This is especially important as the **school photographer is in school on 26 September 2018.**

Data Collection Forms: Ideally we would like to have 3 emergency contact numbers. We rely entirely on the contact information you give us being current and if it is not up to date this can lead to difficult circumstances in an emergency.

Gemma Grainger

Headteacher

Lunchtime Supervisor Vacancies

We currently have vacancies for two Lunchtime Supervisors.

Successful candidates will be required to work for 1 hour per day, 5 days per week, term-time only. The hourly rate is currently £8.55.

You will be joining a well-established team and will be committed, not only to looking after the welfare of the children, but also able to relate well to children and support them in playing games and keeping active.

You will also be expected to encourage children to eat healthy meals and show good manners.

If you have the necessary skills and/or experience, then please collect an application form from the Office.

Any offer of employment will be subject to satisfactory references and an enhanced DBS check. These posts are also subject to evidencing proof of Right to Work in the UK.

Year Group Updates

Nursery & Reception

What another fantastic week we have had. We have enjoyed continuing to get to know the children and building positive relationships with them. The children are doing a brilliant job following our classroom rules and routines.

This week, the children have had lots of fun making cakes with the playdough, designing and building models in the construction area, making shape models with the tap-a-shape, drawing patterns in writing sand, taking on different roles in the home corner, exploring our new block area with the dinosaurs. Also this week, the children have been introduced to the box modelling area where they have been able to create box models using their own ideas. So far the children have created megaphones, birds, pianos, music shakers and robot birds.

Years 1 & 2

It has been another great week for KS1. We have started reading and learning our new story, 'How to catch a star'. The children are learning the story through actions at the moment. In maths we have been learning to partition 1 digit numbers in Year 1 and 2-digit numbers in Year 2. The children are all enjoying our new way of learning maths.

Thank you for sending in PE kits and making sure your children have water bottles and coats every day.

There are spaces available for Year 1 & 2 Invasion Games on a Tuesday after school - it includes playing such sports as: hockey, basketball, football, netball, tag rugby, handball. Please contact the office if your child would like to join this club.

Years 3 & 4

Year 3/4 have been working hard this week on their writing, maths and theme. We have put in some super effort when writing about playing school games and next week we shall take the children to the park to give us further real life experiences to write about. We will also look at the forces involved on the play equipment as part of our theme.

Spellings will be given out on Mondays- tested the following Monday - as will the times tables. Children will receive their first times tables next Monday - please help with their learning here as its value is considerable.

We will send home alternate homework for Maths and English on a Thursday - in for Tuesday. Thanks for your support.

Years 5 & 6

Year 6 are very much looking forward to visiting Whitemoor Lakes next week where they will take part in a wide variety of activities such as kayaking, the leap of faith, high ropes and zip wire. They will also eat together and experience staying away from home! We are sure all attending, including staff, will have a great time. Photographs will be published on the website as often as possible during the week.

Year 5 have thoroughly enjoyed their poetry work this week and have written poems called "I am..." They have begun to look at how to perform their poetry with expression including reading more quickly, slowly, loudly and softly to emphasise important words. We are looking forward to welcoming Mrs Parrish in to Year 5 for just next week whilst Mrs Chapman is at Whitemoor Lakes and we look forward to seeing you at the Fashion show on Friday!

ATTENDANCE AT SCHOOL

Week Commencing: 3rd September 2018

Whole School: 98%

| Year Group: | Percentage Attendance: |
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| Reception | 96% |
| Year 1 | 99% |
| Year 2 | 93% |
| Year 3 | 100% |
| Year 4 | 99% |
| Year 5 | 100% |
| Year 6 | 97% |

MESSAGE FROM PTFA:

The start of the school year sees new commitments for the PTFA members, whether it is new babies, new businesses or relocating to new countries! As a result, we will be handing the precious baton over to a brand new committee from the end of September.

We have had a great time during our 12 month post and have set up new processes which will help to pave the way for the next committee. We have worked hard and have challenged ourselves to provide a year of fun events for the pupils of Chadsmead, but at the same time have thoroughly enjoyed ourselves and made friends with people that we would probably have never had the chance to speak to! During the year we have held 2 successful fairs, 3 discos, an Easter chick hunt, the Year 6 leavers party and several uniform sales and we couldn't have done any of it without the support and encouragement of the parents and teachers of Chadsmead.

We started the academic year with a healthy bank balance of £7,811.09 thanks to the previous PTFA committee, and through the various events have raised an extra £8,252.02. This year we have purchased a suite of ipads, a play on anti-bullying, Christmas presents for the children, chess sets for the new Chess Club and smaller items for the classrooms. We will be leaving a lovely amount of £8,667.51 for Mrs Grainger to use for further school resources.

In order for the PTFA to run as a registered charity, the following 3 roles are required to be filled:

Chair – The Boss Person

Treasurer – The Money Person

Secretary – The Organised Person

In practical terms, you need several more people to support these roles in order to provide the level of events that the school is used to.

We are hoping that a group of parents/carers would be happy to put themselves forward to ensure that the social aspect to school life continues as we know how important it is to the children. The next committee is free to make it their own, and can reduce or increase the number of events to however many they feel they want to, there are no expectations of which discos/fairs etc should be held.

We will be on hand to help with the transition process and will always be available to help at events. Please join us for the annual general meeting (AGM) on 1st October at 18:30 in the junior hall. It would be great to see you there.

Please contact Fran Jones via email thescarletroom@hotmail.com if you have any questions.

Kind regards

Fran, Kerry, Sarah, Elaine, Sue and Rosie

KS1 Snack and Milk Reminder

Children can bring in a healthy snack if they would like to, however, fresh fruit is available each day for them.

You can complete a form and pay for your child to continue having milk at £1 each week—please pick up a form from the school office.

Reminder - Absence Notification

Parents/carers are reminded that a text message/telephone call to school is required for absence BY 9.30 am letting us know the child's name, class and reason for absence.

Can we please remind parents that on the child's return to school we still require a signed letter confirming the reason to enable us to authorise the absence.

Failure to adhere to the above policy may result in an 'unauthorised absence' being recorded on the official school register.

App of the week

METEOR MATHS



Practise your maths skills and the app automatically levels up/down depending on correct answers!

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.

Academic Year 2018-2019

Autumn Term 2018

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| Half Term | Thursday 25th October |
| Children return to school | Monday 5th November |
| Term Ends for Christmas (2 wks) | Friday 21st December |

Spring Term 2019

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| Children return to school | Monday 7th January |
| Half Term (1 Week) | Monday 18th February |
| Term Ends for Easter (2 weeks) | Friday 12th April |

Summer Term 2019

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| Children return to school | Monday 29th April |
| May Day | Monday 6th May |
| Half Term (1 week) | Monday 27th May |
| Children return to school | Monday 3rd June |
| Professional Development Day | Friday 21st June |
| Term Ends for Summer | Friday 19th July |

These dates may be subject to change if necessary.



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Monday 22nd October

More information to follow shortly....