Newsletter Friday 20th September 2019

Issue 3





Our first week, without missing days or missing year groups and before and after school clubs have all started.

I was particularly excited to be visited by Reception and Nursery children this week. They have been on a tour of the school and meeting the other classes and teachers. As they all piled into my office I was struck by their awe and wonder; it was very humbling. I hope to see them lots more in future weeks.

Next week classes across the school will be visiting the new Lichfield Library. Over the course of the year all classes will get a chance to visit. During the visit the children will become a member and we hope to be able to use this local resource in our learning more often.

Since the start of the new year we have seen a significant decrease in the number of children arriving to school late or being picked up late. Thank you so much for your support with this.

POLITE REMINDER: please do not allow your children to play on the equipment in Early Years at the end of the day. For this to be safe we have rules the children follow during the day, and at times we have seen some near accidents when children are not using the equipment in a controlled way. I appreciate your understanding with this matter.

Quiz Night

Quiz Night Friday 18th October 8pm. Teams of 4-6 people at £10 a team, your chance to become Chadsmead Quiz Champions! More information coming home next week...



What's on next week

Upcoming Events

Monday 23rd September:

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

Tuesday 24th September:

- Choir 8.20-8.50am
- 12.15-1.15pm Gardening Club
- Singing, Woodwind & Guitar Lessons
- KS2 Healthy Lifestyle 3.20-4.20pm

Wednesday 25th September:

- Violin & Keyboard Lessons
- Street Dance Club 8.15-8.45am
- TEMPEST Class Photographs
- Ash/Elder Library Visit

Thursday 26th September:

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

Friday 27th September:

- KS2 Netball & Basketball 3.20-4.20pm
- Coffee Afternoon with Mrs Cadman 2.30pm

Years 1 & 2

In KS1 the children have been making changes to the story 'The Disgusting Sandwich' ready to write their own stories. In maths, Year 2 have been comparing and ordering numbers to 100 and Year 1 have been learning the invaluable skill of identifying pairs of numbers (number bonds) to make 7, 8, 9 and 10.

In PE we have been learning and practising our underarm throwing and catching skills.

All in all, a great week!

Years 3 & 4

We have worked very hard in Year 3/4 this week. In theme we have explained the structure and detail of a tooth and look forward to exploring dental hygiene.

It has been great practising our typing skills in our Computing lessons, in the new Computer suite! The children continue to be enthralled by the Demon Dentist and have shown a real flair for answering mixed styles of questions including information retrieval, word meaning and inference. Thanks to all who supported their children in doing their homework and bringing it in on time - it does make a difference.

Homework is maths this week - due in Tuesday and spelling tests also due Tuesday. New homework and spellings go out on Thursdays (please check bags if not yet received).

Years 5 & 6

After their great week away at Whitemoor Lakes Year 6 have returned to school life with pleasing enthusiasm. They are currently preparing a presentation related to their visit.

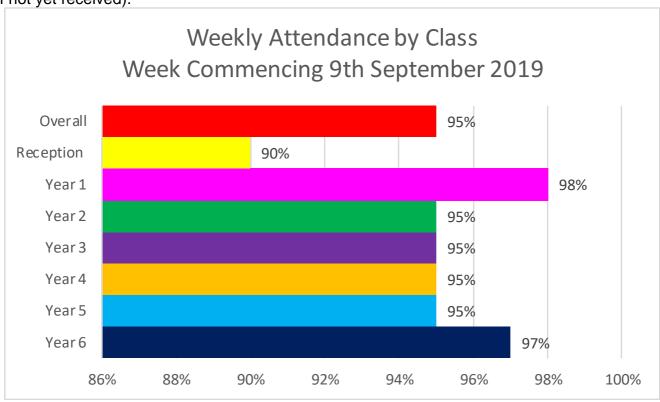
Together with Year 5 everyone has now thrown themselves into our Theme of Pharaohs and have so far looked at a time lime of events and begun to learn about some of the famous Pharaohs from Ancient Egypt. It is really impressive to see that some of our children have taken it upon themselves to do some extra research, well done to them.

A quick reminder to parents/carers - PE will be on a Monday and a Tuesday and so a kit is required on those days please.

Twitter

If you want to keep up-to-date with Chadsmead news and events, please follow our Twitter account, this gives you another mechanism to see what's happening across the school. Look out for our regular fun tweets directly on the Twitter App @Chadsmeadschool, or look at the school website where the tweets will also be shown.





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



SEND Update

Welcome back to the new school year.

If your child is currently on the SEND register, teaching staff will now have made attempts to contact you to discuss this term's plan for support for your child. If you have not heard from your child's registration teacher, please contact them to discuss your child's plan as soon as possible.

Any newly registered SEND children will be added to the register before the end of September and again your child's teacher will be contacting you to arrange an initial discussion meeting shortly.

Please keep your child's teacher up to date with any external appointments you may have or changes in your child's needs as this helps us coordinate information in school and make any reasonable adjustments that are needed. Should you wish to notify me directly, please let office staff know and a message with be forwarded to me.

Thank you for your ongoing help and support to ensure your child continues to make progress and their needs are met.

Kind regards Mrs Cadman

SEND News

school.

We understand that by the end of September, Midland Psychology's contract with the NHS will end as planned. We believe that the company is currently contacting parents of children they are working with or who are currently under diagnosis with them to discuss this. Nothing changes for children with ASD or ASC within school but the future pathway regarding medical diagnosis of these conditions is not yet known. Should you have anyone concerns regarding this, please contact Midland Psychology or contact me at



Music Tuition

We have spaces available for:

Y5/6 Guitar Ensemble (Tuesday pm)

1 place in Singing Lessons (Tuesday am)

2 places in Keyboard lessons (Wednesday am)

1 place in Drumming Lessons (Thursday am)

All pupils should now know their music lesson time and day. Please discuss with your child each week what they have been working on in lessons and encourage them to practise at home regularly ahead of the next lesson.

School Council

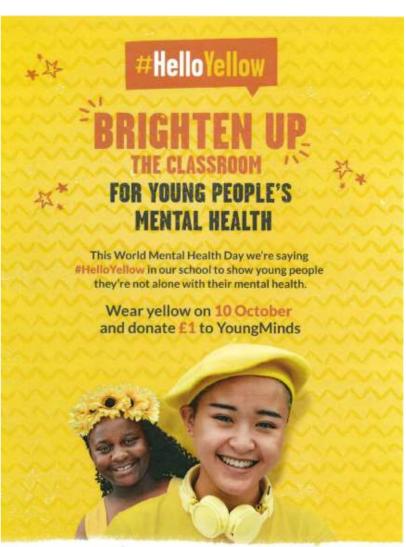
The new school council met this week and are busy undertaking their new roles in classes. This term school council are looking for new ideas for improving our school environment or learning experiences as well as fundraising ideas so that they can undertake any possible agreed suggestions later in the year. School councillors will be gathering ideas in class and school suggestion boxes remain available for ideas to be posted at any time. In addition, the council have agreed to support an exciting overseas project supported by the charity In2Ed Africa. The charity are currently building a school Korogocho, Kenya and our children have been invited to develop a link between England and Kenya once the children begin in the new year. In the meantime, school councillors are sharing this with children and gathering any questions to send to the charity's co-founder so that they can find out more about life in Kenya.

Should you wish to follow the charities work or take a look at the Korogocho and other schools being built by the charity, In2Ed Africa has its own Facebook page and more information can be found on its website www.in2edafrica.com

We hope to bring you updates as to how our project develops during the year.

Mrs Cadman.





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Parents, Teachers and Friends Association

Are you interested in helping organise events? Could you give an hour or so of your time to help with projects? Or do you have a great idea for fundraising?

If so, Chadsmead PTFA would love to hear from you. We are looking to hold lots of great activities and events over the coming year and need your help to make them happen!

If you are interested in joining the committee, have a great idea or just want to help when you can, please contact the PTFA at:

ptfa@chadsmead.staffs.sch.uk