



### Message from Headteacher

Next Friday (8th February) we will be joined by head teachers and senior leaders from other Community Academies Trust schools. They will spend the day talking with the children and observing learning at Chadsmead. The visitors will be on the playground as you arrive, please take a moment to speak with them about your positive experiences and how proud of our school we are.

There has been lots of interest in the parent/carer workshop's regarding on-line safety. It will be Monday **11<sup>th</sup> February at 2pm and 6pm** in the junior hall (please note the time for the evening session is slightly earlier than originally advertised). If you would like to attend please complete the letter sent home last week, which is also available on the website in the virtual office, or contact the office.

Today is Miss Lemm's last day before she starts her maternity leave. We wish her a happy and healthy last few weeks of pregnancy.

Finally, I'd like to say thank you for your support regarding our 'nut free' school. Many parents have adjusted the contents of lunchboxes being sent into school. As you appreciate this is a serious matter and your thoughtfulness and care for the children concerned is very much valued.



### What's on next week



#### Monday 4<sup>th</sup> February:

- Reception & Year 6 Height & Weight
- Lego Club 3.20-4.20pm
- KS2 Archery 3.20-4.20pm

#### Tuesday 5<sup>th</sup> February:

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

#### Wednesday 6<sup>th</sup> February:

- Violin and Keyboard Lessons

#### Thursday 7<sup>th</sup> February:

- Drum Lessons
- KS1 Multi Skills 3.20-4.20pm

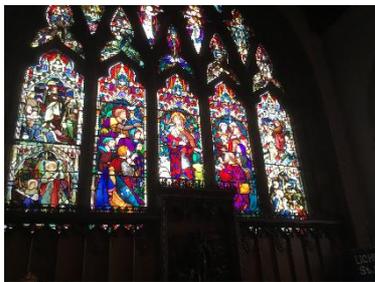
#### Friday 8<sup>th</sup> February:

- KS2 Dodgeball 3.20-4.20pm

## Years 1 & 2

Years 1 & 2 have read 'The Town Mouse and the Country Mouse', in preparation for writing a journey tale. In maths, Year 2 have begun to learn more about 'Time'. If any of the children have their own watch (analogue, not digital) they are allowed to wear them to support their learning. Year 1 have finished their unit on 'Time' and will welcome the challenge of you asking them o'clock and half-past times. In ICT, as part of learning how to stay safe online, we spoke about what can happen when unkind words are said and heard.

Can we please remind you to send in a cereal box with your child - next week we are re-creating Pudding Lane; the place the Great Fire of London began!



## Years 3 & 4

Years 3 & 4 have shown real enthusiasm this week when learning about the Iron Age.

We have discovered all about a preserved body, from 2000 years ago. called Lindow man. The children were keen to find out facts about this discovery and amazed at how he met a grizzly end! They are now converting their facts into a piece of Theme writing.

Something which the children have also developed a liking for is our Maths Meetings - a relatively new concept. We hold these 3 or 4 times a week in the afternoons and ask the children a wide range of quick-fire Year 3 and Year 4 maths questions. They are quite pacy and the children are excellent at answering every question in full sentences e.g. 'What fraction is largest: 1/2 or 2/3?'

'The fraction that is largest is 2/3'

Finally, staying with maths, it is great to see how many children have been on Rock Star times tables! Already we can see it having an impact!

## Years 5 & 6

Year 5 & 6 have pleasingly continued to work hard this week. They have produced some lovely heart pictures and learnt about Dr William Harvey. They have also thought about the effect of smoking and completed some circuit training.

Next week is assessment week, so please ensure children are in school feeling fresh and ready to work with the correct equipment. Another reminder please that trainers are not school shoes!

### ATTENDANCE AT SCHOOL

Week Commencing: 21<sup>st</sup> January 2019

Whole School Attendance: 96%

Year Group:	Percentage Attendance:
Reception	99%
Year 1	99%
Year 2	95%
Year 3	98%
Year 4	95%
Year 5	98%
Year 6	94%

House point totals  
Week Commencing: 21<sup>st</sup> January 2019

	<b>306</b>		<b>654</b>
	<b>452</b>		<b>317</b>



## Chadsmead Primary Academy Website

Want to know what's happening in school? Go to [www.chadsmeadacademy.co.uk](http://www.chadsmeadacademy.co.uk) there is so much information for you from: school policies, newsletters, copies of letters sent home, curriculum pages and much more.



## Safety Internet Day – Tuesday 5<sup>th</sup> February

The NSPCC latest guidelines for parents place a huge emphasis on the TEAM approach:

**T** - Talk to your child about what they are doing and how to stay safe online

**E** - Explore their accounts and behaviour online

**A** - Agree rules as a family in terms of use and times. Remember ultimately you are the adult, you are in charge

**M** - Manage settings to keep your child safe

As a parent, I understand the difficulties of this. It is tough and can cause world war 3 in the home, when you broach the subject and perhaps have to insist on certain time limits, use or non-use of certain apps or games. But **DO NOT AVOID** the fact that despite the short term pain it is totally worth it in keeping your child safe. **TAKE CONTROL AS ADULTS AND INSIST THAT YOUR CHILD FOLLOWS GUIDELINES FOR THEIR OWN SAFETY.** You would not leave your child alone anywhere in your home with a stranger without checking. Just be aware of chat rooms and the pitfalls. Thank you, Mrs Grainger.

## Safety advice for children in the cold weather

Safety advice for children as it gets colder. We want to inform them to stay away from frozen rivers, lakes and ponds.

The weather is getting colder so Staffordshire Fire and Rescue Service wanted to make your students aware of the dangers of frozen water. Iced over water has dangerously low temperatures which would be a real shock to the system and means that people can very quickly get into difficulty.

Our advice is as follows:

- \* Make sure children understand how dangerous it is to play on ice. Tell them to stay away from frozen rivers, lakes and ponds.

- \* Don't wander too near to the edge, icy or wet conditions could cause you to slip and fall in

- \* Don't be tempted to test the thickness of the ice; it's easy to slip from the bank and fall through into the freezing water

- \* Dog owners should ensure they keep their pets on a lead so they are not at risk of falling in

- \* If you see someone, or a pet, fall through ice and get into difficulty do not risk yourself by trying to rescue them - instead ring 999 and ask for the fire and rescue service immediately.

Staffordshire Fire and Rescue's website contains a short film which highlights the dangers of children playing on ice. We would be very grateful if you would share this with children of a suitable age within your school.

**7 March 2019**

WORLD  
**BOOK  
DAY  
DISCO**

EYFS & KS1  
5:00 - 6:00pm

KS2  
6:30 - 8:00pm

Dress as your  
favourite  
book  
character.

Admission—payable on the door  
**£2.00 EYFS & KS1    £2.50 KS2**

Free doughnut  
and unlimited  
squash

Chocolate,  
crisps, sweets,  
glitter tattoos  
and glow sticks  
available to  
purchase on  
the night.

## Parents Evening

Parents Evening letters have been sent home with children this week. Appointments can be booked online for Tuesday 12<sup>th</sup> and Wednesday 13<sup>th</sup> February. If you need any help logging in, please contact the school office. Thank you.

Wyevale garden centres

**£2.50**  
per child

**Little  
Diggers**

**Half Term  
Craft Events**

Join us for brilliant kids' activities!  
**18th-22nd February**

Don't forget  
to add a  
kids' meal!

All events must be pre-booked online at [wyevalegardencentres.co.uk/events](http://wyevalegardencentres.co.uk/events)

Season dates and times vary by centre, so please check online or in your local centre for more details.  
Events are subject to change and cancellation. Children must be supervised by an adult at all times. All activities are suitable for children aged 3+.

## SCHOOL EVENTS 2019

### FEBRUARY

- 12<sup>th</sup> Parent's Evening
- 13<sup>th</sup> Parent's Evening
- 18<sup>th</sup> - 22<sup>nd</sup> Half Term

### MARCH

- 7<sup>th</sup> World Book Day Disco EYFS & KS1 - 5-6pm  
KS2 - 6.30-8pm
- 15<sup>th</sup> Red Nose Day – non-school uniform

### APRIL

- 11<sup>th</sup> Early Years Easter Service 9.15am
- 12<sup>th</sup> Easter Services for KS2 – 9.30am  
Easter Services for KS1 – 2.30pm
- 15<sup>th</sup> – 26<sup>th</sup> Easter Holidays

### MAY

- 2<sup>nd</sup> Polling Day
- 6<sup>th</sup> Bank Holiday
- 13<sup>th</sup> – 16<sup>th</sup> KS2 SATS Tests
- 21<sup>st</sup> KS2 Summer Music Concert 9.30am
- 27<sup>th</sup> – 31<sup>st</sup> Half Term

### JUNE

- 12<sup>th</sup> Chadsmead's Got Talent
- 18<sup>th</sup> – 19<sup>th</sup> Friary/Netherstowe/King Edwards Transition Day
- 21<sup>st</sup> Inset Day

### JULY

- 8<sup>th</sup> KS2 Sports Day
- 9<sup>th</sup> KS1 Sports Day
- 15<sup>th</sup> Year 6 Prom (tbc)
- 19<sup>th</sup> Year 6 Leavers Assembly 9.30am
- 19<sup>th</sup> Last Day of Term

## Help Needed!

After half term, EYFS are starting a new theme; 'Are Eggs Alive'. If you know anybody that keeps chickens or has access to baby chicks then we would greatly appreciate it if they could bring them in to school. Please contact Miss Morton if you can help! Thank you.





