



Newsletter Thursday 7th April 2022



House Point Totals
Week Commencing: 28th March 2022

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| | 280 | | 281 |
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Message from Mrs Grainger

On Wednesday we enjoyed a school Easter service which included drama, choral speaking, singing and information on the true meaning of Easter for Christians. The service was brilliantly put together by Mrs Dennis and Mrs Miles and the children’s contribution was captivating. This term has flown by and it seems only a few weeks since we were returning after Christmas. However, much has been accomplished in that time. We have continued to provide the very best offer that we can including school visitors, trips and themed days, as well as a full and thorough curricular offer for your children. I am very proud of what we have achieved despite significant pressures on our workforce. Whilst your children are likely to have experienced the impact of staff absence to some extent, I hope that we have been able to keep this to a minimum. Again, my sincere thanks to those staff who have gone above and beyond the call of duty to ensure the smooth running of our school during these times. Finally, thank you all for your support once again. It is so nice to hear so many of you speak positively about the school.

On behalf of everyone at Chadsmead, have an enjoyable Easter break, fingers crossed for some sunny Spring weather. I look forward to seeing you all back on Monday 25th April. Stay well!

This term’s housepoint winners – St Chad



Miss Lemm

Miss Lemm (Cherry Class) will be leaving us at the end of April. It has been a difficult decision for her to make as she very much enjoys working here, but she wishes to spend more time with her young family. We thank her for her hard work and commitment and we know she will be missed.

School Governors

There is still time for anyone who would like to express a "notice of interest" in becoming a parent governor for the school. More details can be found on the school website or ask the school office to speak with a current governor who will be more than happy to chat the opportunity through.

If you know someone who is not a parent who may be interested in joining the SSC? Pass this message along as we also have a vacancy for a community governor too.

Traffic and Parking Issues

We are still receiving complaints regarding parking along Friday Acre. Could we please ask that you consider the local residents when parking, that you don’t block any driveways and that you do not park on pavements - endangering the safety of our children and parents/carers. Thank you.

School Meals

Please note there is a 5p increase in school meals from 1st June 2022 – the new cost will be £2.30

curriculum

What has your child been learning about in class this week?

Years 1 & 2

What a super end to the Spring term here in Years 1 and 2. In our theme work we learned about how and why bees make honey. In computing we programmed Robots (Bee Bots) using a sequence of commands to make an algorithm. We even debugged our algorithms when they did not work effectively. In maths Year 1 children have been comparing numbers up to 20 by finding the difference. In Year 2 we have been learning about fractions of number. All KS1 children have taken home a choice of creative homework for our new them 'The Scented Garden' for over the Easter holiday period. Please encourage and support your child to complete a piece (or more) of homework and bring it in to share after the break. We hope that you all have a wonderful Easter break.

Please remember that the children need their PE kits for the first day back

Years 3 & 4

We hope all our families have a lovely Easter break. Can you believe there is only 1 term of school left in Years 3 & 4? It has been a nice week in Lower Key Stage 2 with a really special visit to the Buddhist temple near King's Bromley. We were all fascinated as the head monk got us to all join him in special chants and kind wishes for each other. They gratefully received our offering of food and also gave us lots of time to ask questions. Although the children had to sit for quite a while, they were very engrossed in everything.

The homework for the Easter holidays will be times tables, reading and spellings. Following the success of the 'Adventure Hunters' writing competition please lookout for our Lichfield Festival writing competition. We hope children will submit some of their creative writing as we know how talented they are! Our next theme will begin after the first 2 weeks of the summer term, therefore there will be no creative homework until then.

Years 5 & 6

Years 5 & 6 have this week completed their class text 'Jaymie Drake Equation'. We select our books carefully and this one has been another very popular one; our childrens' favourite this year has been very evenly split. Writing time has been spent completing a science fiction story and writing a blurb. Whilst maths has been solving problems using graphs and tables in Y6 and Y5 have worked on coordinates. Theme lessons have looked at the phases of the moon, culminating in a quiz that assessed our learning. Year 6 SATs follow shortly after the Easter holidays, please support your child by ensuring they complete their homework.

Finally, enjoy your break, stay safe and return to school fully charged.

Summer Uniform

Children can, if they wish, wear our summer uniform after the Easter holidays. This comprises of either black shorts or a blue gingham dress. Black shoes remain part of school uniform in the summer and please ensure that your child has a coat with them every day due to the unpredictable weather!



Dates for the Spring & Summer Terms 2022

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| Thursday 7 th April 2022 | School breaks up at the end of the day for the Easter holidays – back to school Monday 25 th April 2022 |
| Monday 2 nd May 2022 | Bank Holiday |
| 3 rd – 13 th May 2022 | KS1 SATS |
| Thursday 5 th May 2022 | Polling Day – School closed |
| 9 th – 12 th May 2022 | KS2 SATS |
| Tuesday 17 th May 2022 | KS2 Summer Music Concert 9.30am |
| Friday 27 th May 2022 | Platinum Jubilee Day |
| Monday 30 th May – Friday 3 rd June 2022 | Halt Term Break |
| w.c. Monday 6 th June 2022 | Year 1 Phonics Screening |
| w.c. Monday 6 th June 2022 | Year 4 Multiplication Tables Check |
| Thursday 16 th June 2022 | Chadsmead's Got Talent 6.30pm |
| Friday 24 th June 2022 | School Closed – Inset Day |
| Tuesday 28 th & Wednesday 29 th June 2022 | Year 6 High School Transition Days |
| w.c. 27 th June 2022 | Creative Arts Week |
| w.c. Monday 4 th July 2022 | Sports Week |
| Friday 8 th July 2022 | School Reports sent home to parents/carers |
| Wednesday 13 th July 2022 | Meet the New Teacher 5-6pm |
| Wednesday 20 th July 2022 | Year 6 Leavers Assembly 9.30am |
| Wednesday 20 th July 2022 | Last Day of Term |