

NEWSLETTER

Thursday 1st April 2021



Our children have shown great resilience during the spring term dealing with so many changes. They have adapted incredibly easily and the atmosphere around the school is calm and happy and as you walk in every class, you can feel the buzz of learning. All of the staff are looking forward to the summer term and they have begun to plan exciting learning opportunities across the curriculum.

We are incredibly proud of all of our children throughout the school but to recognise those who demonstrate exceptional behaviour and learning during lunchtime, each week the Midday ward a shild in every class a lunchtime certificate. The names of all of these shildren are put into a

Assistants award a child in every class a lunchtime certificate. The names of all of those children are put into a raffle and one name is drawn at the end of half term. Normally, they would be invited to the Table of Awesomeness but we have just swapped the invite for a prize this term so that we follow health and safety guidelines. A huge well done to those winners.

Our school council are elected by the children in their class and would normally hold the role for a year. However, due to the restrictions of lockdown, our school council representatives asked if they could continue their roles from last year into this academic year. We thought that was a great idea and so split the council into two groups so that meetings were still able to go ahead. Therefore, at the end of this term, we are saying a massive well done and thank you to the current school council who have served for 3 terms. They have served their classes as outstanding representatives and we are so proud of them. Over the last three terms, they have raised nearly £2000 for charitable causes, worked with our recycling partners to reduce waste and improve recycling, served as ambassadors for the school at open evenings, presented to our governors and helped to run the Poppy Appeal and Children in Need. At Christmas, they organised the distribution of Christmas cards to staff in care homes and in NHS Covid wards as well as championing the spending of £1200 on school improvement projects. We are so thankful for their service. In Summer 1, we will welcome our new school council reps and we already have so much planned for them. We will be continuing our links with local care homes by donating art work created by the children at CVPS. The school council will also be organising an exciting new fundraiser at school as well as continuing to be the voice of pupils at CVPS.

I'd like to take this opportunity to thank you for your continued support especially during the spring term. Hopefully, the summer term should run more smoothly with relatively few disruptions or changes. If you do have any queries then as always, please don't hesitate to contact us. I hope you all have a peaceful and relaxing break.

Kindest regards

Mrs Hewson Headteacher

On Friday 23rd April children in St George's House are invited to wear their own RED clothes to celebrate St George's Day.



Notice to Parents - Play equipment

Please do not allow your children to use the outdoor play equipment before or after the end of the school day. This equipment is used on a strict rota based during the school day to maintain health and safety, and ensure the integrity of the children's bubbles. Thank you for you co-operation.

Star Learner	
1. Lila	12. Bertie
2. Jude	13. Tommy
3. Ben	14. Ellie
4. Shaeden	15. Tia
5. Ben	16. Acer
6. Lincoln	17. Ashley
7. Esmee	18. Jonathan
8. All of Class 8	19. Noah
9. Lyla	20. Thomas
10. Darin	21. Jasmine
11. Esme	

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Lunchtime Award Winners Congratulations to all.

1. Farah	12. Bertie
2. Daniel	13. Thomas
3. Amy	14. Beau
4. Evelyn	15. Aidan
5. Maya	16. Jessie
6. Ben	17. Louisa
7. Esme	18. Amelia
8. Jessica	19. Noah
9. Sienna	20. Maddie
10. Laithan	21. Ryan
11. Olivia	

Please dismount all bicycles, scooters and hoverboards before entering the school premises. At the end of the day please do not allow your child to ride until you have left the school grounds.

Dogs, including dogs in arms are NOT allowed on the school site. Thank you for your understanding.



Roberts Recycling Ltd - Recycle 4 Schools

Since the PTA of Chapelford Primary received their clothes bank they have been able to raise over £1000 in funds and have diverted over 1.5 tons of clothing from landfill. What great mid-week news. See how you get



involved via https://www.robertsrecyling.co.uk

Reader of the Week	
1. Phoebe	12. Aanya
2. Callan	13. Sophie & Ellis
3. Scarlett	14. Jack
4. Carter	15. Grace
5. Sam	16. Ben
6. Jack	17. Lauren
7. Faris	18. Bella
8. William	19. Thomas
9. Tyler	20. Alisha
10. David	21. Isabella
11. Alex	

School will close today for Easter break. School will re-open on <u>Monday 19th April (8:40 - 9:00am)</u>

Lost Property

The lost property bin outside the School Office at the beginning and end of the school day - please check through it for any lost items. Any lost property that is not claimed by Friday 23rd April will be recycled either through the Chapta uniform shop or our school recycling partner.

PARKING NOTICE

For the safety of all children and adults, please be reminded that there is strictly <u>no parking</u> on the zebra crossing on both car parks. Thank you.

Pre-loved Uniform Sale

ChaPTA have many items of pre-loved school uniform for sale, all items £1, more details can be found on the ChaPTA Facebook page so please contact us if you are short of anything. ChaPTA will be collecting pre-loved uniform donations for the uniform shop during the first week back at school.

We are always looking for good quality uniform that has been outgrown, that we can recycle or reuse, to avoid it going into landfill sites. Don't forget about our clothing bank which is located just outside the school gate by the nursery, all proceeds go to the PTA and back to our children.'

CORONAVIRUS INFORMATON

Changes to the Test and Support payment for parents

Parents and carers of children who have been advised to self-isolate by their schools or by NHS Test and Trace are now able to apply for a <u>Test and Trace Support Payment</u> or discretionary payment of £500, if they meet the eligibility criteria. The extension of the Test and Trace Support Payment Scheme is intended to ensure that parents receive the financial support they need if they are unable to attend work due to childcare responsibilities.

Applications for the Test and Trace Support Payment scheme are made via the local authority in which the parent or carer resides, not the local authority where the school is situated if these are different.

To be eligible applicants must meet all the criteria that:

*They are the parent or guardian of a child or young person in the same household and need to take time off work to care for them while they self-isolate. This is limited to one parent or guardian per household for the child or young person's self-isolation period.

*They are employed or self-employed.

*They cannot work from home while undertaking caring responsibilities and will lose income as a result.

*The meet all the other means-tested eligibility criteria for a Test and Trace Support.

*Payment or locally determined criteria for a discretionary payment.

That their child:

*Is aged 15 or under (or 25 or under with an Education, Health and Care Plan (EHC)) and normally attends an education childcare setting.

*Has been told to self-isolate by NHS Test and Trace or by someone who has tested positive for Covid-19.

Primary school pupils and rapid asymptomatic testing

On advice from Public Health England (PHE), pupils in primary schools and children in nursery settings are not included in the rapid asymptomatic testing programme.

PHE has advised that there are currently limited public health benefits to testing primary-aged pupils with lateral flow devices (LFD). In addition, primary-aged pupils, particularly younger children, may find the LFD testing process unpleasant and are unable to self-swab.

We are advising that primary-aged pupils should only be tested if they are symptomatic, in which case their families should follow the <u>guidance for households with possible or confirmed coronavirus (COVID-</u>19) infection and <u>book a PCR test</u> for the child.

FACE COVERINGS

In primary schools and early years settings it is recommended that staff and visitors wear face coverings where social distancing cannot be maintained between adults. These measures will be in place until Easter. As with all measures, we will keep this under review and update guidance as needed. A face covering is not PPE and can be a scarf, bandana or hand made cloth which fits around the face.

Please remember to wear a face covering and follow our one-way system for the safety all.

Have a fantastic break, see you back on Monday 19th April.