

CHESTERTON NEWSLETTER

8th July 2019

Dear parents/ carers,

There are 12 schools days left of this academic year and we have got a lot of learning still to take place. Beech class went on a trip to Duxford Air Museum last week. As always, they behaved beautifully and thoroughly enjoyed their visit where they learnt a lot. I would like to thank SOCs for organising and running the discos last week; I honestly don't know what we'd do without them – SOCs that is!

I know some of you are concerned about Place2Be finishing and the impact this will have; I hope I can assure you that we will still be providing support to those children who need it, utilising the skills of the staff in school who have been trained to provide such support. We are also introducing a programme called "Ollie and His Superpowers" which will provide additional support for those children who need it. There is a parents' meeting regarding "Ollie" on Monday 9th September from 4-6pm where you will be able to find out about the programme and the support it will be offering. The meeting will be in the school hall from 4-6pm and we will be providing a crèche during this time. All the staff in school are also receiving training around "Ollie" so that we will have a whole school approach to the programme.

When I arrived in school this morning, I was greeted with lots of smiles and cheery voices saying "good morning'; it was an absolute joy and I really hope it is a sign of a wonderful week ahead.

I hope you have a great week. 😳

Toni Jackson

A Message from SOCS

We are starting a school uniform recycling scheme with the aim of helping out families and being considerate towards the environment. If it proves successful we would like to continue this long term. Our first uniform swap shop will be held in the front playground on Friday 12th July from 3:00pm - 3:30pm. You will be able to donate used uniform in good condition and/or take any uniform that you need. This will be a free of charge scheme run on goodwill.

Other information

If you are having difficulty paying for your child's school dinners, please speak to Mrs Mason in the office and we will do our best to help you. If you are in arrears with your payments, we can try to work out a payment plan to help ease the struggle.

I would like to thank you all for ensuring your children are getting off their bikes and scooters before coming into the school; it is very much appreciated.

ATTENDANCE NEWS!

For the week ending Friday July 5th, the attendance was as follows:

1 st place:	Beech with 100%
2 nd place:	Hawthorn with 99.52%
3 rd place:	Elm with 98.52%
4 th place:	Elder with 97.86%
5 th place:	Pine with 96.32%
6 th place:	Hazel with 92.86%

Winner of "Punctuality Bear" this week are Beech with a 98.52% punctuality rate. ©

If you wish to see a copy of our attendance policy you can ask for one at the office or look at our website.

DATES FOR THE DIARY: 18th July – reports go out to parents/ carers . 19th July – sports day . 24th July – break up for the summer holidays . 4th September – children return to school. 9th September – meeting about "Ollie" 4-6pm

Did you know that on this day in

- 1497, Vasco da Gama sets sail on the first direct European voyage to India
- 1889, the first issue of The Wall Street Journal is published
- 1948, United States Air Force accepts its first female recruits into a programme called Women in the Air Force (WAF).