

# **CHESTERTON NEWSLETTER**

# 11<sup>th</sup> June 2019

#### Dear parents/ carers,

I hope you all had a great weekend ③. As you can see, I am experimenting with the newsletter format; to be honest I am not the strongest on "Publisher", I'm more of a "Word" person!

One of my favourite times of last week was on Thursday afternoon. I went for my usual walk around the classes and couldn't find a single one – every class was outside or in the hall doing some form of physical activity or outdoor learning. I stood with Mrs Mason for a couple of minutes to take it all in it was so lovely.

The Y4/5 children who went on the residential had a wonderful time, managing to have good weather for the whole time. I have to concede to Mr Martin, the weather was better for them than I had predicted! The Y4/5 children who stayed behind also had a great time building a den, having a picnic and doing lots of fabulous art work. The way they all worked together was fantastic.

Y3 have started their topic on Ancient Egypt and have been using the I-Pads to aid their research. Their research questions showed a lot of thought.

Y1 and Y2 have been learning about the history of flight whilst Reception had a beach party with cake and ice cream, yummy!☺

As you can see, just because it is the last half term it doesn't mean we are going to slack off. I hope you all have a great week.

### **COMMUNITY NEWS**

Chesterton Festival Community Fun Day is taking place on Saturday 22<sup>nd</sup> June from 1-5pm. There will be a children's procession taking place around the green – dress up as a colour of the rainbow and dance along with a samba band! The procession will start at 1.15pm and will leave from the information point.

### ALL ARE WELCOME

#### 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.

Please could I remind you to supervise your children when you bring them to school in the morning and collect them in the afternoon. We are still having issues with children riding their bikes and scooters on the school premises which is causing issues. Thank you in advance for your help with this.

## ATTENDANCE NEWS!

For the week ending Friday June 7<sup>th</sup>, the attendance was as follows:

1 <sup>st</sup> place:	Elm with 98.57%
2 <sup>nd</sup> place:	Elder with 97.93%
3 <sup>rd</sup> place:	Hazel with 95.24%
4 <sup>th</sup> place:	Hawthorn with 93.18%
5 <sup>th</sup> place:	Beech with 91.43%
6 <sup>th</sup> place:	Pine with 91%

As well as attendance, we will be having a big push on lateness in the coming weeks. Please remember that the registers close at 8.45am.

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:** W/B 17<sup>th</sup> June – authors visiting and working with the classes . 22<sup>nd</sup> June – Chesterton Festival Community Fun Day . 5<sup>th</sup> July – Pine class assembly . 18<sup>th</sup> July – reports go out to parents/ carers . 19<sup>th</sup> July – sports day . 24<sup>th</sup> July – break up for the summer holidays . 4<sup>th</sup> September – children return to school

Did you know that on this day in .....

- 1509, Henry VIII married Katherine of Aragon
- 1788, Russian explorer Gerasim Izmailov reached Alaska
- 1987, Diane Abbot, Paul Boateng and Bernie Grant are elected as the first black MPs in Great Britain.