



## Chesterton Newsletter 14 September 2018

### Diary Dates

**24th & 25 September**—Informal Parent Conversations.

**25th September**—Parent Council at 8.45am

**26th September**—Pine Class parents stay and learn sessions begin 8.35-9.00am

**Friday 12th October**—Teacher Training Day—School Closed

**Tues 16th & Wed 17th October**—Curriculum evening—details to follow

**Friday 19th October**—Hawthorn Class Assembly

**Friday 19th October**—School closes for half term

**Monday 29th October**—Back to school

### Head Teacher comments:

Dear Parents,

Welcome back to a new school year, it has been wonderful to see all the children back and settling well into their new classes.

I would like to take this opportunity to share with you one of our focus for the year ahead. This year we are thinking about presentation and encouraging the children to take responsibility for their own presentation. In line with this we have introduced a new handwriting scheme. We have chosen to move over to a cursive script, so in the next coming weeks you will notice a change in the style of handwriting the children will use. Attached to this email you will find an example of how to form each letter, we hope you will find this useful in supporting your child using this new handwriting script.

Looking forward we have informal parents evenings on Monday 24<sup>th</sup> 3.30pm-6.30pm and Tuesday 25<sup>th</sup> 3.30pm - 5.30pm. This is an opportunity for you to meet your child's new teacher and discuss any points with them. Please sign up for these on the sign-up sheets in the school office.

Kate Yeoman  
Head of School

### Class News:

**Pine:** Pine Class have had an amazing week at school. The children have settled in very well and enjoyed Roald Dahl day!

**Elm:** Elm Class had a brilliant time celebrating Roald Dahl Day this week, we read the Enormous Crocodile and had some of the characters visit us through hot seating!

Next week we are looking at life cycles in Theme. Please could your child bring in a baby photo of them to share with the class.

**Beech:** Beech have enjoyed their first week in year 2, especially finding a dragon's egg in the playground! Next week we are learning about the life cycle of a human, if possible can you send your child in with a baby photo - thank you.

**Elder:** This week Elder Class have been writing diaries, imagining they are superheroes with special powers. We also enjoyed writing diaries as characters from *Matilda*, on Roald Dahl Day.

**Hazel:** Wow sentence: Hazel Class really enjoyed their work on The Magic Finger for Roald Dahl Day and thinking about dialogue in their writing.

**Hawthorn:** Hawthorn Class had a great Space Day, showing of costumes on the catwalk and creating solar systems.

### Head Teacher Awards

#### Pine:

**Jaziah:** for *staying positive* and settling into school well.

**Zoe:** for *aiming high* and writing words and numbers all week.

#### Elm:

**Ethan:** for *aiming high* with his Maths work and really challenging himself this week.

**Kasper:** for *aiming high* with his Maths and English work by working independently and moving onto harder challenges.

#### Beech:

**Duarte:** For *aiming high* with all of his learning

**Lily:** for *sharing ideas* when creating a marvelous medicine

#### Elder :

**Acacia:** *Using imagination*, writing an exciting diary about a day in the life of a superhero!

**Oscar:** *Aiming high*, working very hard on his letter joins in handwriting.

#### Hazel:

**Michael:** *Aiming high*, consistently worked hard in his writing about the magic finger & space.

**Shanice:** *Leadership*, has been a fantastic role model in the class by supporting and encouraging friends with their work.

#### Hawthorn:

**Max :** *Staying Positive with his learning.*

**Yusuf:** *Aiming High*, with his challenges.