

# **CHESTERTON NEWSLETTER**

## 15<sup>th</sup> January 2020

#### Dear parents/ carers,

Welcome back and a Happy New Year to you all<sup>©</sup>. I hope you all had a great time over the Christmas break and thoroughly enjoyed the New Year. It is with very mixed emotions as I started back after the break as I was looking forward to coming back, seeing all the children and parents/ carers but at the same time was saddened as it will be my last term here. That has, however, filled me with determination to make it the best term ever!

We have had a great start back with the children embracing their learning with enthusiasm. Pine class are learning about space and have the opportunity to go up in a space ship in their role play area. Elm and Beech are off on their school trip tomorrow and are embracing their role play areas about zoos. Elder, Hazel and Hawthorn are learning about the Romans and have many exciting activities coming up including learning how to be a Roman soldier and what it was like to work in a Roman market. Oak are learning about WW2 and electricity and have made some fantastic light boxes and shadow puppets. As you can see, lots of learning is taking place and it is a delight to walk around the school and see it happening.

I hope you all have a great week 😳

Toni Jackson

### SOCS NEWS

Dates for the diary: Thursday 6<sup>th</sup> February there will be a Magic Show in school at 3.30pm Thursday 26<sup>th</sup> March there will be an adults only quiz at 7pm.

There is also a "Great Chesterton Bake Off" to look forward to next half term.

#### Easter Bonnet Challenge

We are holding an Easter Bonnet Challenge this year. The challenge is to see who can produce the best/ wittiest/ most imaginative Easter bonnet. The bonnets will need to be in school by 31<sup>st</sup> March. It will cost £1 to enter and every child who enters will receive a prize. The winning entrants will be judged by the Mayor on Wednesday 1<sup>st</sup> April.

#### ATTENDANCE NEWS!

| ATTENDANCE NEWS:      |             |        |
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| 1 <sup>st</sup> Place | Hawthorn    | 98.15% |
| 2 <sup>nd</sup> place | Hazel       | 98%    |
| 3 <sup>rd</sup> place | Beech       | 96.76% |
| 4 <sup>th</sup> Place | Elder       | 95.54% |
| 5 <sup>th</sup> Place | Pine        | 94.2%  |
| 6 <sup>th</sup> Place | Elm         | 89.84% |
| 7 <sup>th</sup> Place | Oak         | 87.5%  |
|                       |             |        |
|                       | PUNCTUALITY |        |
| 1 <sup>st</sup> Place | Hawthorn    | 99.63% |
| 2 <sup>nd</sup> Place | Beech       | 99.26% |
| 3 <sup>rd</sup> place | Elder       | 98.93% |
| 4 <sup>th</sup> place | Hazel       | 98.8%  |
| 5 <sup>th</sup> place | Elm         | 98.12% |
| 6 <sup>th</sup> place | Oak         | 97.86% |
| 7 <sup>th</sup> Place | Pine        | 97.25% |
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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: Friday 24<sup>th</sup> January – phonics session for EYFS and Y1 parents. Tuesday 4<sup>th</sup> February – online safety day. Thursday 6<sup>th</sup> February – SOCs magic show. Wednesday 12<sup>th</sup> February – Elder class assembly. Friday 14<sup>th</sup> February – break up for ½ term.

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

- 69 Otho seizes power in Rome, proclaiming himself Emperor of Rome beginning a reign of only three months.
- 1559 Elizabeth I is crowned Queen of England in Westminster Abbey, London.
- 1889 The Coca-Cola Company, then known as the Pemberton Medicine Company, is incorporated in Atlanta.