



Chew Stoke Church School Newsletter



INTRODUCTION FROM THE HEAD TEACHER

Please join us in wishing our year 6 pupils the best of luck for their SATs, which take place next week. They have all worked extremely hard to prepare themselves and we are very proud of all of them. Thank you to all of the staff who work with our year 6 pupils for all of their efforts in preparing them for this. Good luck year 6!

As we move closer to the end of this term and towards the end of year may I remind parents of our uniform policy. School uniform comprises-

- grey skirt or grey or black trousers / tailored knee-length shorts
- white or royal blue polo shirts
- royal blue jumpers or cardigans
- black, grey or white socks
- black 'school' shoes, i.e. not trainers, boots or Crocs. If sandals are worn they should be black, navy, brown or white and should be worn with socks for health & safety reasons.
- An optional school sun hat is useful for the summer term.

Jeans, leggings, hoodies and other fashion clothes/shoes are not considered suitable dress for school.

This year's Fun Run will be held on the afternoon of Friday 17th May in the Rectory Field near Quarry Hay. Hedgehog Class will hold their Fun Run around a course in the school grounds, as in previous years. As usual, we need as many parents/adult helpers as possible to steward both events, so if you are able to spare a couple of hours from 1.15 pm that would be appreciated, please sign up to help via this link:

<https://forms.office.com/e/k7B1w8tZ8y>

Both fun runs will start at approximately 1.30pm and will last for about an hour. Could you also ensure that your child has a drink in a named drink bottle in school on that day (no glass bottles please). Sponsor forms will be sent home this week - please could any sponsorship money be paid in via the Donations page on ParentPay using this link:

<https://app.parentpay.com/ParentPayShop/Foc/Default.aspx?shopid=3616>

This year we will be raising money for equipment to enhance outdoor learning/play.

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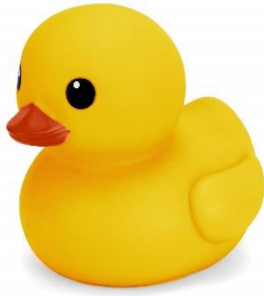
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We finish next week with the PTA Duck Race and Fox Class cake sale; both of these events will take place after school on Friday 17th May, along the stretch of river that runs adjacent to Rectory Field. The PTA will be selling ducks after school next week, alternatively please let a member of the PTA know if you would like to purchase one. Please could we ask that all parents supervise their children closely at the Duck Race.

Well done to all of our children who received a Values Certificate or a Golden Heart during the last few weeks.



ONLINE SAFETY FOR PARENTS & CARERS

Thursday 6th June, 6pm to 7:30pm - virtual session.

With a few of our neighbouring schools we are working with SWGfL to put on this training. With the growth in the use of online devices this is essential training for all parents. More details on the training will follow but please pop the date in the diary.

This online training session provided by [SWGfL](#) provides parents with an insight into popular technologies and how young people utilise them. Demonstrating the massive benefits and potential pitfalls, the interactive presentation provides parents with advice, strategies and resources to help them understand and engage with their child's online lives in a healthy, positive, and productive way.

[SWGfL](#) are a charitable trust dedicated to empowering the safe and secure use of technology through innovative services, tools, content and policy, nationally and globally. We are proud to be a world leader in online child safety, a founding member of the UK Council for Child Internet Safety as well as an advisor to Governments and a partner in the UK Safer Internet Centre.

SHOW YOU CARE AND PARK ELSEWHERE!

The PE council would really like your help! The people of Chew Stoke have been complaining about parking at the start and end of the school day. The Parish Council met with Miss Hennessy and a governor about drivers parking over driveways, on pavements and on the corners of roads. Parking on the corners of roads is dangerous for cars and pedestrians because they can't see where they are going or what is coming around the corner. Cars parking on pavements don't leave enough safe space for pedestrians to walk. People are also missing appointments or are late because they are unable to leave their homes.

Please can parents park carefully or think about parking elsewhere. Our map shows where we ask parents not to park each day. Keeping these roads clear keeps us safe! Some good places to park and stride are: Dairy Way, Bushythorn Road or Bilbie Road. Parking is also good exercise for us. Please 'Show you Care and Park Elsewhere!'

Thank you for your help 😊

Please do not drive or park in School Lane or the lower end of Pilgrims Way between 8.30am – 9am and 3.10pm – 3.40pm, as shown in red on the map.



KS2 YOGA CLUB

We are delighted to announce that Emma Hasell will be returning to us this term to run her popular after school yoga club. The club will run on Wednesdays from 3.20pm to 4.15pm. It will start on Wednesday May 1st and will cost £6pp per week. (4 weeks this term) If interested parents need to contact Emma directly on: 07817 467424.

Dates for your diary!

Term Dates

Term 1: 01/09/2023 - 20/10/2023
Term 2: 30/10/2023 - 15/12/2023
Term 3: 02/01/2024 - 09/02/2024
Term 4: 19/02/2024 - 28/03/2024
Term 5: 15/04/2024 - 24/05/2024
Term 6: 03/06/2024 - 23/07/2024

May 2024

- 13.05.24 - KS2 SATs start
- 17.05.24 - Fun Run & Duck Race
- 21.05.24 - Simonsbath Camp meeting

June 2024

- 03.06.24 - INSET day
- 03.06.24 - Simonsbath camp
- 11.06.24 - New Pupils picnic

SAILING CLUB

We are pleased to inform you that our annual KS2 Sailing Club will be making a return in Term 6. The Club will run on a Thursday between 4:30pm and 7pm at All-Aboard Sailing Club on Baltic Wharf in Bristol. The address of the centre is: All-Aboard Water sports Baltic Wharf Cumberland Road BS1 6XG. The club will start on Thursday 13th June and will run for five weeks. There are limited number of spaces for this club. In the event the club is oversubscribed, a waiting list will be created and parents will be contacted in the order they have made their interest known. The cost of the club (For all 5 weeks) is £56.05. Unfortunately, Miss Hennessy is unable to regularly take/ collect children and parents will be responsible for the transportation of their children to and from the club, unless you are really stuck. Once you have signed up to the club on ParentPay a list of children attending will be released to help with lift sharing.

All children who attend this club will wear a helmet and wet suit supplied by the sailing club. Children will need to supply clothing or swimwear for under the wet suit (Not jeans or cotton), change of clothes, towel and footwear (with a thick sole) they do not mind getting wet.

RISING WATERS WRITING COMPETITION

Valley Arts have just launched a writing competition, open to all ages, in conjunction with their Rising Waters Community Play. Details are on this flyer https://files.schudio.com/chew-stoke-church-school/files/documents/Writing_Competition_for_the_Chew_Valley_final.pdf and the closing date for submissions is Friday 24th May.

VALLEY ARTS HALF TERM HOLIDAY CLUB

Valley Arts has another brilliant holiday club coming up in May Half Term with a one-day Musical Theatre Club run by Hannah and Josh, which promises to be jam-packed with lots of singing and dancing to songs from the shows. Our clubs offer participants the chance to build confidence and skills in performing, the potential to make new friends, and most of all, to have fun! The day runs from 10am - 4pm at Chew Magna Baptist Hall and is open to school year groups 2-7. Places for our Easter club sold out quickly, so don't miss out and book a place today! For more information and to book a place [CLICK HERE](#) or visit our website www.valleyartscentre.co.uk

ATTACHMENT LINKS

Further items of interest can be found by clicking the following links:-

Chew Valley NatureFest:- https://files.schudio.com/chew-stoke-church-school/files/documents/Flyer_.jpg

Rising Waters writing competition:- https://files.schudio.com/chew-stoke-church-school/files/documents/Writing_Competition_for_the_Chew_Valley_final.pdf

RUH Bath Teddy Bear Hospital:- https://files.schudio.com/chew-stoke-church-school/files/documents/Teddy_Bear_Hospital_Poster.pdf

Moon & Stars Spectacular Circus Show:- [https://files.schudio.com/chew-stoke-church-school/files/documents/Moon - Stars Spectacular Circus Show .pdf](https://files.schudio.com/chew-stoke-church-school/files/documents/Moon_-_Stars_Spectacular_Circus_Show_.pdf)

Bishop Sutton Tennis Club Open Day:- https://files.schudio.com/chew-stoke-church-school/files/documents/OPenDay_CVGAd_2024_2.pdf