

Chew Stoke Church School Newsletter



INTRODUCTION FROM THE HEAD TEACHER

I hope you all had a wonderful Easter break and enjoyed some valuable family time. The children have settled back into school really well and are enjoying their learning and being with their friends and teachers.

As I am sure you are aware, on Monday we received a call from Ofsted to inform us that we would be inspected over the following two days. The process means that the outcome of the inspection is currently confidential. The timeline is that the final report will be published within 30 days of the conclusion of the inspection. It is at that point I will share the report with you all and it will be published on the Ofsted website. Due to our continuing high levels of attainment and progress this was an ungraded inspection. What I can say at this point is that we are very pleased with the initial feedback.

I was incredibly proud of all the staff and students during the two day visit. A number of pupils were spoken to during lessons when they were visited, whilst conducting tours, during focus groups called by the inspector and also informally at social times. They demonstrated high levels of maturity in their approach and were a credit to the school, the community and their families.

A huge strength of Chew Stoke is the supportive nature of the staff and this shone through during the two days. I am incredibly lucky to work with such a great team. I would also like to thank all the parents that took the time to complete the questionnaire that was shared. On a personal level, many thanks to the parents that took the time to contact us to wish the school well over the two days. I will look forward to sharing the report with you in due course. In the meantime, after a very intense week, I hope all staff and pupils take time to relax this weekend.

I am delighted to announce another event giving us cause for celebration, which is taking place this coming week. On Wednesday 1st May Miss Sophie Yates, who teaches Fox Class, will

be marrying Mr Richard Hogg. After her wedding, Miss Yates has requested that she be known as Mrs Yates. We send our congratulations to the happy couple and our best wishes for their future life together.

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In just over two weeks our Year 6 children will be sitting their SATs assessments. We are so proud of how they have been preparing themselves and the mature attitude they have shown. Please could I ask parents of Year 6 pupils to support us by ensuring their children go to bed early, get plenty of rest and sleep, eat well and are given lots of encouraging positive messages.

FUN RUN 2024

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 the obstacle 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. If you are able to help please complete the online form by 12 noon on Wednesday 15^{th} May so that we can organise the deployment of adults - the form can be found by following this link:-

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

Could you also ensure that your child has their PE kit and a drink in a named drink bottle in school on that day (no glass bottles please). Sponsor forms will be sent home in the next few days - please hand these in after the event and pay in your sponsor money using the online link on the form. This year we will be raising money for equipment and to enhance outdoor learning/play.

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

<u>May 2024</u>

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

<u>June 2024</u>

- 03.06.24 INSET day
- 03.06.24 Simonsbath camp
- 10.06.24 New Parents meeting
- 11.06.24 New Pupils picnic

DUCK RACE 2024

This year's Duck Race will be after school on Friday 17th May, at the stream in Quarry Hay. As well as the race, there will be cakes on sale. Ducks will be on sale in the playground – so do get in early to secure your lucky number!

PTA FILM NIGHT

Date for your diary - The PTA will be holding a film night for the children on Friday 10^{th} May. Children can stay at the end of school and will need collecting at 5.30pm. The film will be 'Wonka'. More details to follow.

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) Initially for Years 5 and 6. If interested parents need to contact Emma directly on: 07817 467424.

BRISTOL SPORT AFTER SCHOOL CLUBS

There are a few spaces left in the sports clubs for this term. Please see the flyer for details:- <u>https://chew-stoke-church-</u>

<u>school.schudio.com/admin/document_groups/view/54320#:~:text=Chew_Stoke_ASC_Poster</u> _%2D_Term_5_(2).pdf

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.

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 <u>CLICK HERE</u> or visit our website <u>www.valleyartscentre.co.uk</u>

ATTACHMENT LINKS

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

Chew Valley Cricket Club Summer 2024:- <u>https://files.schudio.com/chew-stoke-church-</u> <u>school/files/documents/CVC_Summer_2024.jpg</u> Bristol Sport After School Activities Term 5:- <u>https://chew-stoke-church-</u> <u>school.schudio.com/admin/document_groups/view/54320#:~:text=Chew_Stoke_ASC_Poster</u> <u>~2D_Term_5_(2).pdf</u> Somerset Cricket Dynamos coaching:- <u>https://chew-stoke-church-</u> <u>school.schudio.com/admin/document_groups/view/54320#:~:text=Dynamos_A6_Postcard_le</u> <u>aflet.pdf</u> Somerset Cricket All Stars coaching:- <u>https://chew-stoke-church-</u> <u>school.schudio.com/admin/document_groups/view/54320#:~:text=All_Stars_A6_Postcard.p</u> <u>df</u> Chew Valley NatureFest:- <u>https://chew-stoke-church-</u> <u>school.schudio.com/admin/document_groups/view/54320#:~:text=Chew%20Valley%20Natur</u> <u>eFest-_Flyer_.jpg.-26%20April%202024</u>