



Chew Stoke Church School Newsletter



INTRODUCTION FROM THE HEAD TEACHER

Next week 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 Y6 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. As a special post-SATs treat our Year 6 children will be spending a day at Mill on The Brue Activity Centre. Our Year 2 children will complete their assessments during May.

This year's Fun Run will be held on the afternoon of Friday 13th 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 so that we can organise the deployment of adults - the form can be found by following this link:-

<https://forms.office.com/r/YPPG5fK6sc>

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 this week - 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 to buy new play resources for break time and lunch time.

DUCK RACE 2022

This year's Duck Race is being held a little later in the term. It will take place after school on Friday 17th June - more details to follow in the coming weeks.

HELP REQUIRED IN HEDGEHOG CLASS

Miss Hennessy has asked us to make a request for some grown-ups to help the Hedgehog children to sew minibeast puppets. She would welcome an hour, half hour or full day, whatever can be spared. Please contact the School Office or speak directly to Miss Hennessy if you are able to help.

EARTH DAY COMPETITION

As part of our Modeshift Stars work Miss Hennessy led a whole school assembly last Friday which introduced Earth Day - when it is celebrated and how we as a community can contribute to looking after our planet. The PE Council are following up this work with an Earth Day competition. The children are being asked to design an Earth Day T-shirt promoting ways in

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which we can look after our world for the future. The PE Council will select a winning design from each class who will have their designs printed on their very own Earth day T-Shirt!

The design should be A4 and where possible should be created using felt tip pens rather than crayons as this will show up better when the design is printed onto the t-shirt. If you only have crayons please ensure your child applies a lot of pressure so the colour/ smaller details are clear. The deadline for this competition is Friday 20th May. We have included some examples to help with your designs, although we are sure you will have plenty of original ideas of your own!



SCHOOL FOOTBALL TEAM TRIALS

Current year 5 children who are thinking about trialling for the football team next year (girls and boys) are now able to join our team training sessions on a Thursday to prepare for the trials/ get some experience. Football team training takes place straight after school on Thursdays and finishes at 4.30pm.

PARENTS OF PUPILS IN YEAR 6 - B&NES PARENT/CARER ONLINE EVENT

Free online evening event for Year 6 children, their parents, and carers to support the move to secondary school Save the date July 5th 18.30 to 19.30 via Zoom. Top tips on how to make the move from Year 6 to 7. A fun and informative evening for Year 6's and their parents / carers. Check it out now on [Eventbrite](#).

MODESHIFT STARS SUCCESS

We are delighted to announce that we have gained the Platinum Travel Plan Award from Modeshift Stars. This award recognises the school's efforts in working towards safer, healthier and greener ways of travelling to and from school, which benefits not only our children but also the wider village community. Congratulations to everyone who has been walking, cycling and scooting this year and special thanks to Miss Hennessy for her tireless efforts in promoting Modeshift Stars.



UPDATE FROM THE PTA

Please read the following carefully, we have lots of dates for your diaries!

Our clothes collection has **MOVED** to the 19th May. The company asked us to change the collection day as it suited them better. Please can you look out all good quality and clean clothes. Please no work wear or uniforms. The clothes can be put in any plastic bag.

Owl class have their cake sale on the 27th May. We look forward to seeing your cakes and bakes.

Our school will be one of the beneficiaries of the Queen's Platinum Jubilee event being held in Chew Stoke on the 4th June which is fantastic. It is a family evening and tickets and more information can be found on <http://www.chewstokeharvesthome.org.uk/Jubilee.shtml>
We will be selling raffle tickets on the night and we need prizes to raffle off. We are looking for nice wine, toiletries, and quality food items which will be made into hampers. Food items could be tinned olives, tapenades, olive oils, vinegars, nice crisps, crackers, biscuits, jams and so on. Please send in with your child ASAP. Thank you so much.

The duck race is on the 17th June. Look out for PTA members selling off ducks for the race nearer the time. Cash prizes to be won!

The PTA will be holding a summer BBQ on the 8th July. Please save the date!

Your PTA Team

VACANCY - SCHOOL KITCHEN

Edwards and Ward are looking for a *General Assistant* to join our catering team at Chew Stoke Church School.

The position is for 12.5 hours a week, Monday to Friday, term time only, at £9.50 per hour. You will be working as part of the integral catering team, helping serve meals to our pupils and assisting with general duties in the kitchen.

To apply for this position or if you have any questions, please contact Stephen Drane, Head of Operations, on 07973 803380.