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CHIEVELEY PRIMARY SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

HAPPY HALF TERM!

I hope everyone has had a great first half term of the year and enjoyed getting to know what their children are learning in their new classes. A warm thanks to all parents who attended parents evening this week—it was lovely to speak to so many of you about how your child is doing at Chieveley.

As we look forward to the next term, we have so many exciting events and plans such as the trip to the pantomime and Christmas performances!

We wish you a relaxing and restful half term and look forward to welcoming you back on Monday 4th November.



ATTENDANCE REMINDERS

Thank you to all parents who have supported our commitment to ensuring children have a good attendance record at school. Any time missed from school is missed learning time and greatly impacts on a child's academic, social and emotional progress.

We look to work with families and support them in improving attendance. However, where absences still persist in light of this support, if a pupil takes unauthorised term time leave for 10 consecutive sessions or more (generally 5 days) parents will be subject to a penalty notice.

We aim to work with parents before attendance becomes a concern but have a duty to children to ensure they receive their right to a good education.

DATES FOR THE DIARY

NOVEMBER

Monday 4th
START OF TERM

Tues 5th
Paralympian visit

Tues 5th– 11th
Book Fair in the hall

Weds 6th
NWN Quiz (select pupils)

Friday 15th
Children in Need– Wear something spotty (£1 donation)

Tuesday 19th
Year 3 trip to Newbury Museum

DECEMBER

Tuesday 3rd
KS1 Panto Trip Watermill

Thursday 5th
KS2 Panto Trip Watermill

Friday 6th
Xmas Fayre

Tuesday 10th at 2.30pm
Wrens & KS1 Christmas Play

Wednesday 11th at 9.15am
Wrens & KS1 Christmas Play



DATES FOR THE DIARY

DECEMBER

Wednesday 11th
Christmas Lunch

Tuesday 17th
Church Carol Service

Wednesday 18th (1.25pm finish)
END OF TERM

JANUARY

Monday 6th
Start of term

COOKING IN WRENS

A busy time in Wrens—they have been developing their cooking skills and have been doing seasonal baking. Last week they made some delicious fruit crumble and custard last week and a pumpkin flavoured cake in the shape of a pumpkin earlier this week. We're so proud of how our Wrens have settled into their new school and can't wait to hear about their next adventures!



FOOD BANK UPDATE!



Rosie from West Berkshire Foodbank has sent her thanks after the fantastic harvest celebrations earlier this month. A warm thanks to all families for their donations and for the excellent harvest songs the children sang.

Our donations weighed in at 180.6kgs—the approximate weight of a full grown donkey!

It means Chieveley Primary has donated the equivalent of 379 meals for local people who are experiencing real hardship.

Thank you all for your kind donations—and well done!



IN AND AROUND CHIEVELEY..

Chieveley Fireworks Tuesday 5th November 2024 Guy Competition



Parents, please encourage your children to enter the Chieveley Fireworks Guy Competition. Making a Guy is a great half term activity.

There are cash prizes for 1st, 2nd and 3rd places.

A small consolation prize for all other children taking part and a free refreshment voucher for every entry.



Cash Prizes	
1 st	£20.00
2 nd	£15.00
3 rd	£10.00



You and your family will take part in the torch lit procession through the crowds to place your Guy on the bonfire.

This year's themes are
'Astronauts' or 'Traditional Guy Fawkes'



Bring your Guys to the ramp in front of the Village Hall by 6:30pm at the latest for entry into the competition. Judging of Guys at 6:45pm.

Further details are available at mychieveley.co.uk


 learning through play
 Chieveley Pre-School presents...

Christmas Craft Saturday
 10am to 1pm - 23rd of November
 All children and siblings welcome to come
 and create a range of Christmas
 decorations and crafts to take home
 Refreshments provided
 £15 per child
 Email manager@chieveleypreschool.co.uk to book.



IN AND AROUND CHIEVELEY..



MULTI-SKILLS SUCCESS

Mrs Clark took a team of six from Robins and Sparrows to take part in the Multiskills Festival at Park House on Thursday last week. Team Chieveley shot, putted, curled and balanced their way into the Gold category, placing them amongst the top-scoring schools in West Berkshire with over 550 points.

A BIG well done to Nathaniel, Annabelle, Zac, Adelyn, Arthur and Holly-Rose for competing and representing our school so well. Thank you to Mrs Clark and parents for supporting our sports outside of school!



YEAR 5 BIKE ABILITY

For two Fridays this term, Year 5 did their bike ability level 1.

We learnt how to do the ABC check (that means air in tires, brakes and chain) and we learnt how to indicate.

We did u-turning, zig zagging and stopping at red lights. We also did emergency stopping. It was the best day. The instructor was as funny as a comedian.

When it was finished, we got a certificate, a handbook and a level 1 badge in assembly.

Written by Logan and Grace



Great Athlete Event - Sponsored Circuits

Remember, remember the 5th of November! Not because of Guy Fawkes, no! This year because Nerys Pearce - Commonwealth and Invictus Games competitor and holder of multiple world records - will be setting off high-octane, explosive energy circuits sessions for each class. Mr Keith gave an assembly to the whole school and every child hopefully brought home a sponsorship form - any amount from £1 upwards is greatly appreciated. Funds will go towards paying for the visit and all the excess funds will be put towards sports equipment for the children. You can also donate online - go to <https://portal.greatathletes.org/events/landing>

Please remember to send your child in wearing their PE kit on Tuesday 5th November

The circuits sessions will be followed up with a whole-school assembly from Nerys.

Polite reminders from the office

- Please pre order school meals before we return in November
- Club payments need to be paid by 11th November
- Data collection sheets and offsite forms to be returned asap.