

Mail on Monday

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Reach for the Stars

Dear parents and carers,

Firstly, well done and thank you to the PTA for the Christmas Fair on Friday, the children really enjoyed it and I hope they managed to raise what they wanted. Thank you to all who sent such lovely presents in to support this event.

Additionally, thanks to the PTA for the donation of Christmas crackers and juice for the school Christmas lunch and for funding the cost of the trip to the pantomime, also for gifting £200 to each class towards school trips. Your work is much appreciated by us all.

The last couple of weeks have been very hectic in school but it has been lovely to see such great work coming from each class. Last week Class 1 were particularly proud of their watercolours and new sketch books, class 2 were enjoying sweet and sour carrot from a roman recipe and class 3 were spying on everyone through their home made periscopes!

We have really focused on **resilience and perseverance** as important learning behaviours over this half term and the children are rising to the challenge and trying hard not to use the 'I can't do it' phrase but change this to 'I don't get it.....yet!'. Please help your child to keep building their resilience as this life skill is incredibly important to their learning and progress.

Unfortunately, Mr Taylor has recently gone off ill and will not now be back until the end of term. We have worked hard to provide consistency for Class 3 and I have personally planned the work so I know they are covering what they need to during this time. This is not ideal and I know it will cause worry to children and parents alike, coming alongside Mr King's absence. It has been difficult to address parents about the issues affecting the school as answers are not really very clear, however I appreciate that many of you will want your chance to ask questions and hopefully be reassured, so myself and Claire Denny (Chair of Governors) would be happy to meet with parents on Friday 14th December, after school, if there are any questions/issues you would like to bring to our attention or just ask openly. We may not have all the answers but I hope we can reassure you that as a team here at Cheswardine we are trying our very best to do the best we can for all the children and the school.

REWilliams

Mrs Rachael Williams (Acting Interim Headteacher)



Celebrating our latest achievements ...



Headteacher's Awards go to: Leon Jackson, Harvey Shropshire, Matilda Frost, Maisie Pullar, Sophie Nadine, Nia Harrison, Fuchsia Tapley, William Reddall, and Lydia Bullock.

The School raised £173.50 for Children In Need when we created a giant Pudsey out of change!!! Well done and thank you for all your support!!

Don't forget to use our suggestions box located by the external whiteboard.

Your thoughts are welcomed.

Attendance Achievement

Class 1 with Mrs Tranter and Mrs Akers	96.03%
Class 2 with Mrs Tomkinson and Mr Church	95.69%
Class 3 with Mr Taylor	94.33%



Congratulations to Class 1!



	Class 3 Spelling Test	Friday
	Class 2 Spelling Test	Monday
	Class 1 Spelling Test	Friday

More details on events, activities, school trips, Mail on Monday dates and term dates can be found under the 'Calendar' section on our website.

SCHOOL & NURSERY CALENDAR

Thursday 13 th December	9:30am	Class 2's last swimming session.
Friday 14 th December	3:15pm	Meeting for parents in the hall
Tuesday 18 th December	12 noon	Christmas Lunch
Wednesday 19 th December	1.15 – 3.15 pm	PTFA school disco
Thursday 20 th December	9:15am	Pantomime visit PLEASE ENSURE YOUR CHILD BRINGS A PACKED LUNCH TO SCHOOL TODAY
Friday 21 st December	9:30am	Christmas Carols and Nativity at the church.
Monday 7 th January 2019		PD Day – school closed to pupils
Tuesday 29 th January	am	Whole School Photographs
Wednesday 6 th February to Friday 8 th February		Arthog trip
Monday 18 th February to Friday 22 nd February		HALF TERM
Monday 25 th February	8.45 am	School re-opens to all
Thursday 7 th March	5.00 – 5.10 am	Spring Term Governing Body meeting. Surgery for parents. Please advise the school office prior to Thursday 14 th February of items for the meeting Agenda.
Friday 12 th April	3.15 pm	School closes for the Easter break
Monday 29 th April	8.45 am	School re-opens to all

While every effort is made to ensure the accuracy of the above information, some events may have to change at short notice. If this is the case, will inform you of any changes as soon as we can.

CHESWARDINE NURSERY

This month we have been participating in World Nursery Rhyme Week. We learnt and practised a song every day for five days! Songs included 'Five Currant Buns', 'Humpty Dumpty' and a 'Sailor Went to Sea, Sea, Sea...!'



We even made our own 'Five Currant Buns'

We have also done lots of 'food activities'.



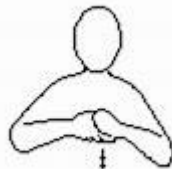
Butterfly Pancakes from the 'Monkey Puzzle' story



Making biscuits with Class One

Leanne, Claire, Lisa and Cathy

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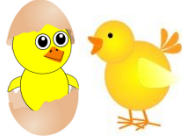


One of our signs of the week is: 'friends'.



Our star signer is: Matthew Jones! Well done Matthew!





Ches Chicks:

This week we had a Winter theme at Ches Chicks and made lots of Winter crafts including 'Santa Snacks'.

Please note Ches Chicks continues to run on a Monday. The time is also now in the morning from 9:30 am until 11.00 am.

The next 'Mail on Monday' will be due on the 21st January.
Also, keep watching the website for updates on School and Nursery news.