Mail on Monday ISSUE No 351 Monday 18th November 2019



Dear Parents and Carers

What a busy start to the second half of the Autumn term we have had. The KS2 trip to Warner Bros Studios was amazing and the children have not stopped talking about it yet. Some photos and video links can be found on the website. We have also had a visit from Shropshire Music Service Rock Band and West Midlands Children's Theatre Company who rehearsed 'Aladdin' with us last Friday afternoon, a great way to end our Children in Need Day.

Well done to Mrs Blank, School Council and Class 3 who raised £380.72 for Children in Need, a record total, fantastic fundraising!! We would also like to say congratulations to Harvey Arnold who, over the course of last half term, put together a talent show in order to raise money for Cancer Research. We have sent off the funds and held the final in the first week back after half term. Everyone who took part was brilliant and Will Reddall was our overall winner.

The boys' football team have been very busy getting some matches in during the last two weeks. They have played St Peters', Wem at home and away. Both matches were incredibly close with the first one ending at 5 all and then won by St Peters' on the final penalty!! Last week it was a draw at 3 all, this was brilliant from our team considering the other team had about 16 players to choose from and we had our ten. The girls' football team will hopefully play on Thursday away against Market Drayton Junior School, good luck.

It was great to see so many of you attending parents' evening recently, the teachers gave out interim reports and ideas to support your child's learning going forward. Please make sure you have received your report if you were unable to attend, they have all been done and will hopefully prove useful for us working together going forward.

Regards

REWilliams

Mrs Rachael Williams (Acting Headteacher)

Note from the school office:

Reminder for return of your child's Christmas lunch slip please. Thank you.



Thank you to Mrs Glover, Mrs Bell, Mr Whitehouse and Mr Wilson and his team for their help in school recently. Also, to all the parental support regarding our teams and transportation to events outside of the school day – Thank You!

We always welcome your support in our school. Do speak to Mrs Williams or the school office if you are able to offer help in school.



Remember to use the **Suggestions Box** under the outside board for any suggestions you would like to make to the school.

The school council have also set a suggestions box up for children inside the school, which they are checking and responding to regularly.

Attendance Achievement

Class I with Ms Dunn and Mrs Jones	96.18%
Class 2 with Mr Church	97.61%
Class 3 with Miss France	97.54%

Our attendance target is attendance over 96%



Class 3 Spelling Test	Friday
Class 2 Spelling Test	Monday
Class I 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 Wednesday 20th By 9.00 am Bags2School collection. November Thursday 21st November Selected teams - KSI and KS2 Morning Quicksticks Hockey Interschool Competition. Tuesday 26th November PTA meeting at school. 2.30 pm Friday 29th November Non-uniform day for Christmas Fair All day items. Thursday 5th December PTA Christmas Fair. 3.15 pm Friday 13th December 5.00 pm to 7.00 pm PTA Christmas Disco at Cheswardine Village Hall. Wednesday 18th December Midday School Christmas Lunch. Thursday 19th December Packed lunches required School Pantomime visit by kind payment of the PTA. Friday 20th December 3.15 pm School closes for the Christmas break. CHRISTMAS BREAK Monday 23rd December to Friday 3rd January P D Day Monday 6th January School closed to pupils. 2020 Tuesday 7th January 8.45 am School reopens to all. HALF TERM Monday 17th February to Friday 21st February Monday 24th February School closed to pupils. P D Day Cheswardine and Hinstock joint Arthog Wednesday Ist April to Friday 3rd April trip. EASTER BREAK Monday 6th April to Friday 17th April Monday 20th April 8.45 am School reopens to all. Wednesday 22nd April Class I swimming session I of 5. Morning Wednesday 29th April Morning Class I swimming session 2 of 5. Wednesday 6th May Class I swimming session 3 of 5. Morning BANK HOLIDAY – school closed KS2 SATs assessments during this week. Friday 8th May Week commencing During the week. Monday IIth May Wednesday 13th May Class I swimming session 4 of 5. Morning Wednesday 20th May Morning Class I final swimming session. HALF TERM Monday 25th May 29th May Wednesday 3rd June Classes 2 and 3 swimming session I of Morning 6 Wednesday 10th June Classes 2 and 3 swimming session 2 of Morning 6. Wednesday 17th June Classes 2 and 3 swimming session 3 of Morning 6. Wednesday 24th June Morning Classes 2 and 3 swimming session 4 of 6. Wednesday Ist July Classes 2 and 3 swimming session 5 of Morning 6. Wednesday 8th July Morning Classes 2 and 3 swimming session 6 of

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Friday 17 th July	3.15 pm	School closes to pupils for the summer	
	,	break.	
Monday 20 th July	P D Day	School closed to pupils.	
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.			



We have started with our new topic for this half term 'Toy Story'. So far we have talked about our favourite toys (which included Mr. Tumble and Optimus Prime!) We have also enjoyed a new story 'This is the Bear' and making our own bear puppets.



We also got the chance to listen to a 'Rock Band' with the whole school and had a great time hearing the real instruments played properly.



This week is 'World Nursery Rhyme Week' where we will sing old and new songs including 'Down in the jungle' and 'Row, row, row your boat'. We will be doing various activities (including the use of food) to celebrate these Nursery Rhymes.

Parents / Carers, please don't forget our 'Nursery Library'. We have lots of books available for you and your child to share together. Once your child has reached the top of the ladder they will get a reward!

We also really look forward to hearing about your child's 'Wow' moments from home.

Please ask if you require any of the above postcards to take home and we will happily provide you with some.

Quick reminder: Please remember that all dinner monies and Nursery fees should be in a labelled envelope (including date, child's name and what the money is for). The money should also be handed in at the big green gate to the Teacher or Teaching Assistant who is opening up.

Many Thanks, Leanne and Claire.

<u>Makaton:</u> Our Makaton sign is: 'orange'.



🔀 Our Makaton Star Signer is Duke Harrison. Well done Duke! 🔀



CHES CHICKS:

We had our October session of the Autumn Term which was a Halloween session. Everyone had a great time with the messy play and decorating biscuits. Even some of the grown-ups enjoyed making their very own craft pumpkins!



Ches Chicks is back and continues to be held once a month on a Monday morning. The new time is 9:15am until 11:15am. Here are the dates and what is already arranged.

- 25th November (Sing and Sign with Rachael Christmas)
- 16th December (Christmas crafts and party)

Please note the new fee of £2.50 per child and £3.00 per family. This is due to the fact that some of the activities are from outside agencies and we will now provide Parents / Carers with hot drinks too. The first session that you attend is still free! Please spread the word about Ches Chicks and feel free to pop in or call the school on 01630 661 233 for any information. Thank you for your continued support!