

Mail on Monday

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Reach for the Stars

Dear Parents and Carers

We are coming to the end of a very busy term and I need to thank all the staff for their hard work and dedication over the course of the term and the year. Having OFSTED on the third week back was a bit rough, however, staff rose to the challenge brilliantly and the children were a credit to us all.

A big thank you to Kayleigh Williams and the PTFA who raised the staggering amount of £657 at the Christmas fair and then put on a fantastic Christmas disco for the children last Friday evening. The children had a lot more room in the village hall than they have had previously and could even enjoy a snow machine, which was brilliant. Thank you to the PTFA for all their hard work and commitment.

This week promises to be a busy one to end the term. We have a Bollywood Dance performance on Tuesday afternoon at 3pm and Christmas Dinner on Wednesday when the children can also wear Christmas jumpers. Thursday is pantomime day and on Friday morning at 9:30am we will do our Christmas Service in the Church, I hope you can join us.

Thank you also for all your support over the course of the term and year. We have relied on you to get children to sporting events, such as football and netball, and even to coach the children in the latter and I am very grateful we have such talented and helpful parents. Thank you.

As we enter a new year it is an exciting time for Cheswardine. We are now formally members of Goldstone Federation with Hinstock Primary School and have a new team of governors to oversee our vision and development. I look forward to seeing us go from strength to strength!

We look forward to welcoming Mrs Tomkinson back from maternity leave in January. Mrs Tomkinson will return to working 3 days a week in Class 2 alongside Mr Church for the remaining 2 days.

From everyone at Cheswardine and Hinstock it just remains for me to wish you all a very Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year. Have a lovely holiday.

Regards

RWilliams

Mrs Rachael Williams

Executive Headteacher

Note from the school office:

Reminder your child will require a packed lunch from home this Thursday for our Panto visit. Thank you.



Thank you to Mrs Glover and Mr Wilson and his team for their help in school recently. Also, to the PTA Committee for a fantastic Christmas Fair and to you for all your parental support at the event - 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.



Celebrating our latest achievements ...



Class 1: Harry, Ted, Eoin, Lydia, Eve, Ellie-Mae
Class 2: Poppy, Noah, Harvey A, Emily, Charlie, Summer, Fynn, Katelyn
Class 3: Harvey S, Tilly, Jasmine, Nick, Lily, Lucy, Maisie, Ebony
Nursery: Keian, Autumn, Clara.

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 1 with Ms Dunn and Mrs Jones	98.79%
Class 2 with Mr Church	98.30%
Class 3 with Miss France	97.67%

Our attendance target is attendance over 96%



	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

Wednesday 18 th December	Midday	School Christmas Lunch and Christmas Jumper day.
Thursday 19 th December	Packed lunches required	School Pantomime visit by kind payment of the PTA.
Friday 20 th December	9.30 am	Carols and Nativity at St Swithun's Church.
Friday 20 th December	3.15 pm	School closes for the Christmas break.
CHRISTMAS BREAK Monday 23 rd December to Friday 3 rd January		
Monday 6 th January 2020	P D Day	School closed to pupils.
Tuesday 7 th January	8.45 am	School reopens to all.
HALF TERM Monday 17 th February to Friday 21 st February		
Monday 24 th February	P D Day	School closed to pupils.
Wednesday 1 st April to Friday 3 rd April		Cheswardine and Hinstock joint Arthog trip.
EASTER BREAK Monday 6 th April to Friday 17 th April		
Monday 20 th April	8.45 am	School reopens to all.
Wednesday 22 nd April	Morning	Class 1 swimming session 1 of 5.
Wednesday 29 th April	Morning	Class 1 swimming session 2 of 5.
Wednesday 6 th May	Morning	Class 1 swimming session 3 of 5.
Friday 8 th May		BANK HOLIDAY - school closed
Week commencing Monday 11 th May	During the week.	KS2 SATs assessments during this week.
Wednesday 13 th May	Morning	Class 1 swimming session 4 of 5.
Wednesday 20 th May	Morning	Class 1 final swimming session.
HALF TERM Monday 25 th May 29 th May		
Wednesday 3 rd June	Morning	Classes 2 and 3 swimming session 1 of 6.
Wednesday 10 th June	Morning	Classes 2 and 3 swimming session 2 of 6.
Wednesday 17 th June	Morning	Classes 2 and 3 swimming session 3 of 6.

Wednesday 24 th June	Morning	Classes 2 and 3 swimming session 4 of 6.
Wednesday 1 st July	Morning	Classes 2 and 3 swimming session 5 of 6.
Wednesday 8 th July	Morning	Classes 2 and 3 swimming session 6 of 6.
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.

CHESWARDINE NURSERY

Since the last Mail on Monday we have enjoyed watching a theatre production of 'Aladdin' at school.



The set for Aladdin.

We also joined in raising money for 'Children in Need' where we all dressed up in our pyjamas! We also enjoyed the hot chocolate and toast at snack time, as well as making Pudsey play dough.



We also joined in with World Nursery Rhyme Week and enjoyed it so much that we extended it! We spent two weeks looking at different Nursery Rhymes. They included 'Incy Wincy Spider' and 'Down in the Jungle'.



Making Incy Wincy Spider snack.



Down in the Jungle 3D cones.

We have a very fun filled final week planned before the Christmas break. Photos will be included in January's Mail on Monday.

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 TA who is opening up.

Makaton:

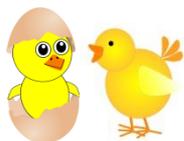
Our Makaton sign is: 'Jesus'.



★ Our Makaton Star Signer is everyone! You will see why at the Christmas Nativity! ★

FINALLY...Thank you to everyone who supports the Nursery in many different ways, including through toy / resource donations or helping when we go to church. Have a lovely Christmas and we will see you in 2020 for lots more fun and learning!

Many Thanks,
Leanne and Claire.



CHES CHICKS:

We had our November session of the Autumn Term which was a Nursery Rhyme session. Everyone had a great time getting messy with the paint and making mice from strawberries and chocolate! 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. [Keep an eye on Facebook for activities and dates in the Spring Term.](#) 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!