

# Mail on Monday

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*Reach for the Stars*

Dear Parents and Carers

Happy New Year and welcome back. Thank you from all the staff for all your Christmas wishes and gifts. We hope you had a really lovely holiday. Today Class 1 has gone on a trip to Shrewsbury Museum to introduce their topic, Dangerous Dinosaurs. I am sure they are having an excellent time and will come back full of information to share. This term's topic letters should be available on the website for you to look over and read about what's going on in your child's class this term.

This term we welcome back Mrs Tomkinson from maternity leave in Class 2. I know Class 2 made her feel happy to return last week and I hope this continues. We also welcome a new face in school, Miss Bishop, who is working as a Teaching Assistant across the school from Nursery to Class 3 and we look forward to getting to know her and working together.

We are looking forward to a busy Spring term with lots of exciting events and hard work taking us up to Easter. The 25<sup>th</sup> of January is Chinese New Year and we should be having some Chinese New Year dance workshops in the following week. Year 5/6 are also really looking forward to their trip to Arthog on the 1-3<sup>rd</sup> April and a meeting will be sorted out in the near future just to go over what they should expect and what to bring, as well as answer any questions you might have, particularly if your child hasn't been before.

This week we are sending a team to Maurice Chandler to take part in Sportshall Athletics - good luck! The Dodgeball Club proved very popular last night and I do hope children who commit to a club keep attending as we do have a number of drop outs at times and this is very disappointing to the other children still going and to the teacher who has prepared. We are starting a Dance Club next Friday and hopefully a range of children will come along and decide which dances they will have a go at, I look forward to them performing their choice later in the term.

The neighbours have asked me to remind everyone to be aware of where you are parking when you pick up or drop off your children and the danger that can accompany driveways on the close. A near miss was reported to me at the end of last term when someone was turning into their drive. I know we would all really hate for anything to happen to anyone in our school community, so please make sure your child is not running in front of open driveways and that you don't block said driveways when parking.

Please don't hesitate to come in and see me in school if you have any issues or are worried about your child in anyway, if I am not on site an appointment can be made and if I am at Hinstock you can always phone me on 01952 550220.

All the best for the New Year,

*REWilliams*

Mrs Rachael Williams

Executive Headteacher



Thank you to Mrs Glover for her help in school recently.

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: Cooper and Lydia

Class 2: Jack and Melodie

Class 3: Tyler and Nick

Nursery: Autumn and Charlie

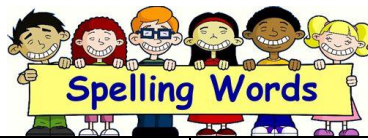
Remember to use the **Suggestions Box** under the outside board for any suggestions you would like to make to the school.




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 Mrs Jones and Miss Dunn	98.28%
Class 2 with Mrs Tomkinson and Mr Church	93.51%
Class 3 with Miss France	97.86%

**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

Tuesday 14 <sup>th</sup> January		Class 1 trip with Hinstock Primary School.
Tuesday 14 <sup>th</sup> January	2.30 pm	PTA meeting at school.
Thursday 16 <sup>th</sup> January	Morning	Sportshall Athletics Competition - selected team event.
Friday 31 <sup>st</sup> January	Afternoon	Cross Country Competition - selected team event.
Wednesday 5 <sup>th</sup> February	Morning	Netball Competition - selected team event.
Saturday 15 <sup>th</sup> February	All weekend	Village History Weekend.
HALF TERM Monday 17 <sup>th</sup> February to Friday 21 <sup>st</sup> February		
Monday 24 <sup>th</sup> February	P D Day	School closed to pupils.
Saturday 7 <sup>th</sup> March	7.30 to 11.30	PTA 80's Discos at Cheswardine Village Hall.
Thursday 12 <sup>th</sup> March	6.00 pm	Goldstone Federation Spring Term Governing Body meeting at Hinstock Primary School.
Wednesday 1 <sup>st</sup> April to Friday 3 <sup>rd</sup> April		Cheswardine and Hinstock joint Arthog trip.
EASTER BREAK Monday 6 <sup>th</sup> April to Friday 17 <sup>th</sup> April		
Monday 20 <sup>th</sup> April	8.45 am	School reopens to all.
Wednesday 22 <sup>nd</sup> April	Morning	Class 1 swimming session 1 of 5.
Wednesday 29 <sup>th</sup> April	Morning	Class 1 swimming session 2 of 5.
Wednesday 6 <sup>th</sup> May	Morning	Class 1 swimming session 3 of 5.
Friday 8 <sup>th</sup> May		BANK HOLIDAY - school closed
Week commencing Monday 11 <sup>th</sup> May	During the week.	KS2 SATs assessments during this week.
Wednesday 13 <sup>th</sup> May	Morning	Class 1 swimming session 4 of 5.

Wednesday 20 <sup>th</sup> May	Morning	Class 1 final swimming session.
HALF TERM Monday 25 <sup>th</sup> May 29 <sup>th</sup> May		
Wednesday 3 <sup>rd</sup> June	Morning	Classes 2 and 3 swimming session 1 of 6.
Wednesday 10 <sup>th</sup> June	Morning	Classes 2 and 3 swimming session 2 of 6.
Wednesday 17 <sup>th</sup> June	Morning	Classes 2 and 3 swimming session 3 of 6.
Wednesday 24 <sup>th</sup> June	Morning	Classes 2 and 3 swimming session 4 of 6.
Wednesday 1 <sup>st</sup> July	Morning	Classes 2 and 3 swimming session 5 of 6.
Wednesday 8 <sup>th</sup> July	Morning	Classes 2 and 3 swimming session 6 of 6.
Friday 17 <sup>th</sup> July	3.15 pm	School closes to pupils for the summer break.
Monday 20 <sup>th</sup> 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.		



Welcome back to Spring Term 2020! We hope you had a lovely Christmas and are well in to the New Year.

Our new topic is 'Winter' so we have started by looking for signs of Winter outside. This was following our new story 'A Little Bit of Winter'.



Exploring the barefoot walk.

We have also explored cold colours and done some lovely paintings.



Painting

Before the Christmas break we made lots of Christmas crafts.



Christmas cracker



Reindeer food

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.

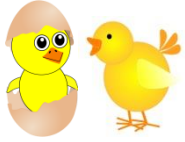
Quick reminder: Please remember that all dinner monies and Nursery fees should be in a labelled envelope (including date, child's name and what the money is for). The money should also be handed in at the big green gate to the Teacher or TA who is opening up.





Makaton: Our Makaton sign is: 'snow'.

Many Thanks,  
Leanne and Claire.



### CHES CHICKS:

We had our Christmas session of the Autumn Term with Rachael from Sing and Sign!



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!

**From the 20<sup>th</sup> of January 2018 until 30<sup>th</sup> of March 2018.**

**20<sup>th</sup> of January: Chinese New Year**

**2<sup>nd</sup> of March**

**30<sup>th</sup> of March: Easter and Sing and Sign with Rachael.**