



# Chiddingly School Newsletter

"Achievement for All, Learning Together, Learning for Life"

Acting Executive Headteacher: Mr James Procter

NEWSLETTER 9

Friday 13<sup>th</sup> November 2015

## Multicultural Arts Week

We started Term 2 with a flurry of colours, arts and culture with each class 'travelling' around the world to look at and explore different cultures. During PE all classes explored traditional music from their country's culture, creating dances and freeze frames.

Reception enjoyed discovering the Story of 'Rama and Sita' and understanding the celebration of Diwali, by making Diwali lamps and acting out the story and creating Rangoli patterns.



Year 1 and 2 flew to Mexico where they tasted different Mexican foods such as Nachos, dips and salsas. They then used pastels to draw Mexican artefacts.

Year 3 and 4 learnt about 'Anansi traditional folktales from Africa. They made shadow puppets and performed using these in a shadow theatre. The children also looked at the meanings of African masks and created their own.



Year 5 and 6 learnt about New Zealand through the story 'Granny joined the All Blacks'. They learnt the Hakka, made mala masks and wrote their own stories.



We had a fantastic finish to our week when we spent the day with our Federation friends taking part in different workshops. All of the children were mixed up into six different groups with children from both Chiddingly and East Hoathly across all year groups.

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The children enjoyed workshops where they learnt Chinese writing, Spanish songs and World War 1 songs. They also took part in African drumming with Cheikh from 'Africa Arts Company' and Greek Drama with Mr Jonson. The children then created 'Natural Art' in groups using objects found on the playground.



All the children and staff had a fantastic day and it was lovely to see so many parents celebrating with us at the end of the day.

Thank you to all the parents from East Hoathly for helping to transport the children to Chiddingly.

We have listened to your feedback in relation to staggering parking, drop off and pick up times and will look into this for future events.

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## Remembrance Day

On Wednesday 11th November we held a remembrance service at school to commemorate fallen soldiers and to remember those who gave their lives for us. Reverend Phil Hodgins led our thought-provoking service where children from Year 5 and 6 helped us to think about the significance of the day. We held a minute's silence during the service which was followed by the playing of 'The Last Post'. Following the service in school, Sycamore class walked to Chiddingly Church to take part in the service by the war memorial. The children were extremely well behaved and their presence at the ceremony was welcomed by the local community.

Thank you to the parents who helped to walk the children to the church. We look forward to continuing to develop our links with the local community this year.



## Pennies for Pudsey

The children have been thinking about others less fortunate than themselves today and have covered images of Pudsey bear with coins to help raise money for Children in Need. The school council will be adding up the money and the total will be announced in next week's newsletter.



## Chiddingly Stars of the Week are:



Chloe (Oak) - for her excellent Rama and Sita story using champion sentences.

Ashleigh (Beech) - for amazing 10 times table problem solving.

Nicole (Beech) - for champion sentence writing in a postcard to Mexico.

Liam (Beech) - for completing number sequences up to 100.

Sophia (Beech) - for champion sentence writing with question marks.

Jasmine (Beech) - for writing a long story with champion sentences and connectives.

Mason (Beech) - for champion sentence writing about the Beech class.

George (Beech) - also for excellent letter writing to a friend in Mexico.

Haydn (Sycamore) - for his excellent language choices in diary writing.

Well done everyone!



## This Week's House Points:



Big Ben 150



London Eye 197



Buckingham Palace 197

## This week were joint winners:

London Eye

and

Buckingham Palace!

## Karate Club reminder

Karate club starts next **Monday 16<sup>th</sup> November** from 3.30 - 4.30pm in the school hall. The price is £5 per class, pay as you go. Please make payments direct to the instructor at the time of your child's session, thank you.



## Ballet Club

We have the exciting opportunity to offer an afterschool ballet club for both boys and girls of all ages, depending on take-up. If your child would be interested in this, please complete the attached reply slip and return to Mrs Tayed or the school office.



## Christmas Lunch

Christmas lunch will be served on Friday 11<sup>th</sup> December at 12pm at a cost of £2.03 per child. If your child/ren would like to order a Christmas lunch, please complete the attached form and return to the school office by Friday 4<sup>th</sup> December latest, thank you. A choice of turkey or vegetarian option will be available (see opposite).



See your school for Christmas lunch info

**£2.03**

## Festive Menu

Choose a main meal...

Farm Assured Roast Turkey served with a Pork Sausage Wrapped in Bacon or Quorn Roast (v)  
Served with Crispy Roast Potatoes, Traditional Sage & Onion Stuffing & Gravy

on the side...

Fresh Broccoli  
Fresh Carrots

for dessert...

Christmas Shaped Shortbread Biscuit  
Chocolate Rice Crispy Cake  
Selection of Fresh Fruit

To enjoy our festive-inspired day, please see your school for details

Chartwells

## Learning Powers Certificate

On Friday 20<sup>th</sup> November in our celebration assembly at 9.25am the following children will be celebrating their achievements. Please come along if you are free.

Oak - Jimmy Tame

Beech - Mason Dain

Willow - Carmel Wheatley

Sycamore - Jack Bridger



## Top Table winner:

### **MEXICO (9 points)**

Ashten Greenwood

Danny Tame

Alanah Dowling

Sidney Wheatley

Blake Williams

Mia-Rose Lyons Willard

The runner up this week is Portugal with 6 points

## Diner of the Week:

Mia-Rose Lyons Willard



## Attendance

The National target for attendance is 96.1%. Our school target is 97% and our attendance percentages for this school year to date are:

|                       |       |
|-----------------------|-------|
| Present               | 95.7% |
| Authorised absences   | 4.2%  |
| Unauthorised absences | 0.1%  |

## Class Attendance Figures

for this week are:

|                |       |
|----------------|-------|
| Oak Class      | 92.2% |
| Beech Class    | 97.3% |
| Willow Class   | 97.5% |
| Sycamore Class | 99.2% |

## The attendance award goes to...

Sycamore class!



## Bag2School Textile Recycling

The PFCS are organising a textile collection with Bag2School to help raise funds for Chiddingly school. Blue collection bags and a separate letter have gone out today in your child's book bag. All donations gratefully received!



## Dates for your diary 2014/15

### November

- 17<sup>th</sup> Parent Consultation Meetings, 4-6pm
- 18<sup>th</sup> New Parents Open Day, 1.30 - 2.30pm
- 19<sup>th</sup> Parent Consultation Meetings, 4-6pm
- 20<sup>th</sup> Non-uniform day
- 25<sup>th</sup> New Parents Open Day, 9.30- 10.30am

### December

- 9<sup>th</sup> New Parents Open Day, 6-7pm
- 10<sup>th</sup> Panto 'Robin Hood'
- 17<sup>th</sup> Nativity Performance - 2pm & 6pm

### January

- 5<sup>th</sup> INSET DAY
- 13<sup>th</sup> Maths Day

### February

- 12<sup>th</sup> End of Term 3 Celebration, 2.30pm

### March

- 3<sup>rd</sup> Book Day
- 8<sup>th</sup> Parent Forum Meeting, 9 - 9.25am
- 14<sup>th</sup> Parent Consultation Meetings, 4-6pm
- 16<sup>th</sup> Parent Consultation Meetings, 4-6pm
- 24<sup>th</sup> End of Term 4 Celebration, 2.30pm

### April

- 20<sup>th</sup> Parent Forum Meeting, 9 - 9.25am

### May

- 25<sup>th</sup> Awe & Wonder Celebration, 2.30pm
- 27<sup>th</sup> INSET DAY

### June

- 14<sup>th</sup> Parent Forum Meeting, 9 - 9.25am

### July

- 7<sup>th</sup> Sports Day
- 8<sup>th</sup> Table Tennis Tournament at East Hoathly
- 8<sup>th</sup> School Reports sent out to Parents
- 12<sup>th</sup> Parent Consultation Meetings to discuss reports only, 4-6pm
- 14<sup>th</sup> Summer Production, 2pm & 6.30pm
- 21<sup>st</sup> Leaver's Service, 2pm
- 22<sup>nd</sup> INSET DAY
- 24<sup>th</sup> Ground Force Day, 10am - 2pm



Any amendments or additions to the diary are in *italics*.

## Christmas Fair

The Christmas fair will take place in Chiddingly Village Hall from 2-4pm on Saturday 28<sup>th</sup> November - please do come and support us!



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Our Governors are looking to appoint an

## ***ADMIN SUPPORT ASSISTANT***

to work in our thriving, friendly village school.

We are looking for a capable and reliable  
Administrative Assistant

to work in our school office from 8.30am - 9.30am,  
Monday - Friday.

There is the potential for these hours to be extended

**HOURS** - 5/week - term time only  
Single Status Grade 3: Point 5 - 7

**SALARY** £14,147 - £14,925 (pro rata) depending on  
experience

To start as soon as possible

**PLEASE TELEPHONE OR EMAIL  
FOR AN APPLICATION PACK**

**CLOSING DATE FOR APPLICATIONS:** 30<sup>th</sup> November 2015  
**INTERVIEW DATE:** 3<sup>rd</sup> December 2015

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## **Christmas Lunch - Order slip**

My child/ren: .....

in Class: .....would like following Christmas lunch (please tick)

Roast Turkey

Quorn Roast (v)

..... (signed)    ..... (dated)

Please return completed slip to the School Office by **Friday 4<sup>th</sup> December** latest, thank you.

## **Ballet Club - Reply slip**

My child/ren: .....

in Class: ..... would be interested in joining the afterschool ballet club.

..... (signed)    ..... (dated)

Please return completed slip to Mrs Tayed in Oak class or the school office, thank you.