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NEWSLETTER 7
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Forest School

A big thank you to Miss Waterman and all the volunteers this term for creating some fantastic learning experiences in Forest School for Willow Class.



This Week's and Next Week's Birthdays

Happy Birthday to Poppy B and Isobel on 25th, Archie S on 26th, Lottie on 29th and Sienna on 31st October. Also Happy Birthday to River on 1st, Scarlett on 2nd, Chloe B on 3rd and Jocelyn on 7th November.



Reception and Year 6 School Nurse Visits

You should have received emails from the NHS team, via parentmail. The measurement programme and vision/hearing tests are 'opt out' systems. Please ask Mrs Dann if you need more information about how to opt out, otherwise your child will be taking part in these schemes next term.



Late Night Shopping

We are, again, starting our festive season with a joint East Hoathly and Chiddingly performance at the Late Night Shopping Event in Uckfield.

The event is on Friday 6th December and our performance time slot this year is 17.40-17.50pm.

The event is open to children from all classes, but children **must** attend lunchtime choir practice on Thursdays in order to take part. If your child would like to take part, please remind them to attend choir club with Miss Lewis next term.

School Lunch Menu

You should have received a paper copy of the new lunch menu. You can also find it on our website. Please be aware that wraps or baguettes will no longer be an option, but jacket potatoes still are.



Wellbeing Poster

We share a new wellbeing poster with you in the weekly newsletter. This week's poster tells us why it is okay to talk about mental health. It is important to talk to others about how you are feeling.



JOIN MILLIONS OF PARENTS ON PARENTPAY

Chicken Area

We are delighted to welcome 10 new chickens to Chiddingly School who will now live in the purpose-made enclosure up in the pond area. The Eco Warriors will be taking the lead in looking after them alongside Mr Herdman. The chickens were from a charity called Fresh Start for Hens who rescue chickens from commercial egg producers who would normally simply destroy the animals after 18 months old. Each class will be naming 2 hens with the remaining 2 being named by the Eco Warriors so watch this space for names.

We would like to thank Fresh Start for Hens for their assistance and Tesco Bags for Help for the funding that helped build the new enclosure. We would also like to thank Mr Herdman, Mr Forsey and Mr Hinder who have all given their time in building the new enclosure and collecting the chickens and Mrs Champion for lending us a chicken crate to pick them up with!

Eggs are now on sale each week! Ask Mrs Dann if you are interested.



Eco Warriors

This week, Mrs Hinder came in to support the Eco Warriors again. They worked so hard to dig out the flowerbeds; getting rid of weeds and preparing the area for planting new things soon! A massive thank you again to Mrs Hinder.



Parent Forums

10th December — Mrs Vile's session on Multiplication tests (3.00pm)

T3: 22nd January

T4: 31st March

T5: 29th April

T6: 23rd June



Learning Powers Certificate

On 8th November at 9.10am the following children will be celebrating their achievements. Please come along if you are free.

Oak - Scarlett

Beech - Lilly B

Willow - Molly

Sycamore - Lottie

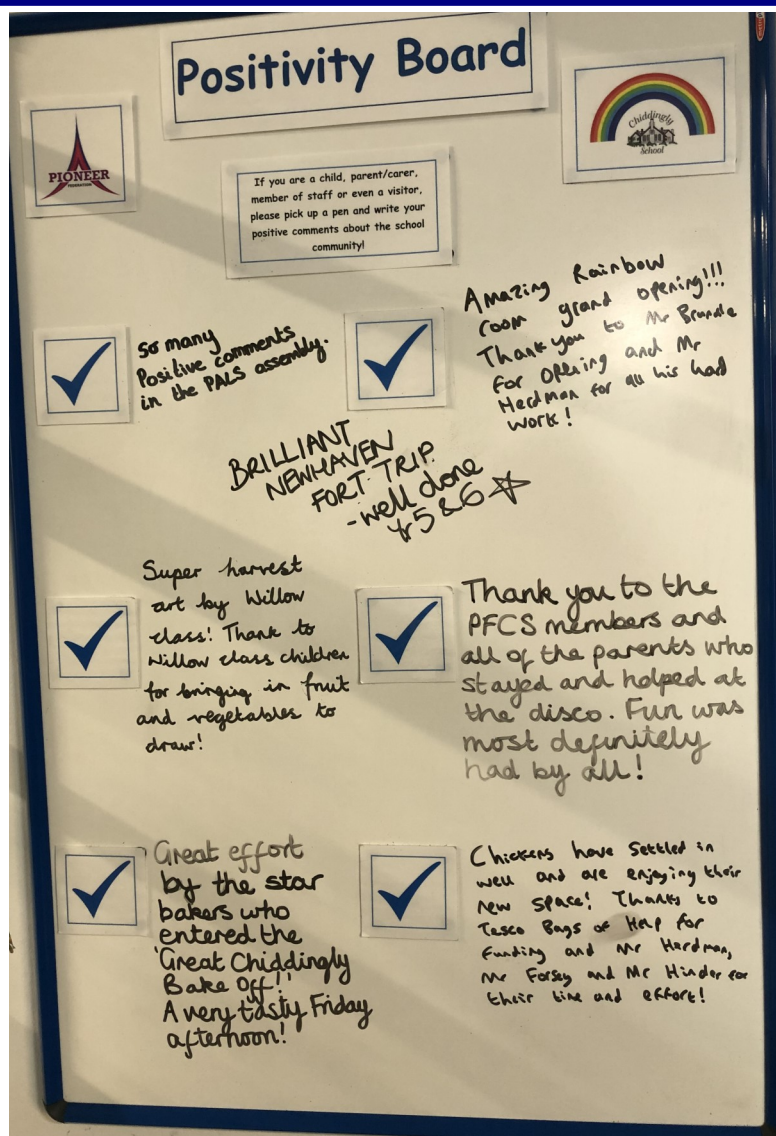
If you need the newsletter or other school letters to be in a different format please speak to Mrs Dann in the school office. If you need help or support with access to any information, please also contact Mrs Dann.

Positivity Board

This board enables parents/carers, staff, children and visitors to write positive comments, or thoughts, about their time in school or during events that they would like to share with others.

Please pop in any time to write down something that you would like to share. In the newsletter every week, there will be a picture to share and celebrate the positivity within our school and community.

As always, thank you for your support!



Attendance

The whole school attendance for this year so far is **97.54%**

This week's attendance: **99.18%**

Oak - **98.67%**

Beech - **99.67%**

Willow - **99.63%**

Sycamore - **98.4%**

Well done to **Beech** for having the highest attendance this week!

100% - gold

96.5 to 99.9% - green

95 to 96.4% - amber

Less than 94.9% - red

Diner of the Week:

Joseph

For being polite, showing good table manners and also following the golden rules.



Top Table winners:

USA (18 points)

Kodie, George S

Connor, Hollie

George H, Harrison

The runners up were Mexico.

PALs Assembly

On Monday, we held our termly PALs assembly (Progress and Learning) where we celebrated all of the fantastic learning which has taken place in Term 1. The children really enjoyed sitting with their friends in other classes and sharing their achievements. One of the wonderful things about this assembly is seeing children beam with pride when one of their peers recognised how their learning and skills had moved forward. It was great to listen in to the conversations that the children were having. We also recognised that the hundreds of books that began the term with empty pages, were now filled with a vast amount of learning experiences. Well done Team Chiddingly!

- Olly could identify great writing — he is now using exclamation marks!
- Lacey reflected on the objectives she had learnt in history. She learnt the different types of bombs they dropped in WWII.
- Freya told Elijah which pages she enjoyed of his work.
- Sebastian explained his science learning to Ethan.
- Kodie showed his progression in writing by showing Josie the amount of writing he'd written (was 3 lines and now 10 lines!).
- "Spanish has been really hard - that's why this is my best piece of work because I had to work the hardest." Chloe Y4
- "I'm proud of how neat my handwriting has become." Floyd Y5
- "I can read his handwriting now - it is much smaller and he's using punctuation when he wasn't before." Leo Y5
- "We have been doing filtration in science. I am really proud of this work because I used predictions and compared my results." Connor Y4



British Values Day

A fun and enriching day was had by all last Friday, as the whole school paused to celebrate and learn about the British Values. It was wonderful to see the children arriving for school in their red, white and blue coloured clothes to represent the Union Jack flag, so thank you for all making such an effort! The children were organised into groups so that Beech and Oak classes worked together and Willow and Sycamore joined up. This meant that our groups could experience all of the workshops that the teachers had planned for the key stages.

Democracy

We were given four possible topics to debate and each group democratically decided which area to choose. The children were then given the role of putting together all of the arguments for and against the debate so that a real discussion could take place. This then concluded with a free vote to see what the overall decision of the team was. In the assembly, children explained that the topic they chose was to debate whether animals should be kept in zoos and they presented their arguments.

Mutual Respect, Tolerance and Individual Liberty

We looked at what creates our own personal identities, whether this be our eye colour, a favourite hobby or a belief. The story of 'It's OK to be different' by Todd Parr was used to begin these discussions. We compared them with our friends and spoke about how these differences don't stop us from being friends or helping and caring for one another. We have to respect the choices of others and that it's ok to have different opinions!

Rule of Law

With the help of the story 'Goldilocks', we explored how we need to follow rules to ensure everybody is treated fairly. We looked at what could happen if we break rules and the difference in outcomes when we follow them. During the day, games were played where the rules were forgotten and of course, they ended in chaos! Very quickly, rules were discussed and put into place, making the point that when games are fair and rules are followed, everything is much more enjoyable!

Great Britain

Using Google Earth, we looked at the location of Great Britain and how it is a collection of islands. It was also interesting to see that the Union Jack is made up of all of the flags of the British Isles. Some of the children created their own maps, locating England, Scotland, Wales, Northern Ireland and the Republic of Ireland. We then found where Chiddingly was within the British Isles and zoomed in on the school from above and could spot the playground and trim trail.

IMPACT & KNOWLEDGE GAINED: As a result of learning about the British Values, we have already seen the children demonstrating and applying their new knowledge in their classrooms and on the playground. The children really enjoyed learning about what helps create their identity and they now have a renewed respect for themselves as individuals, as well as for their peers and adults both in and out of school.



Dates for your diary 2019/2020

November 2019

- 4th — Term 2 starts
- 8th — Year R&6 Measurements (school nurses)
- 11th — Anti-bullying Week & Remembrance Service at 9.25am
- 12th — Open Day at 1.30pm
- 21st — Scholastic Book Fair Week
- 25th — Vaccinations (nasal spray)
- 26th & 28th — Parent Consultations 4pm-6pm
- 30th — Christmas Fair

December 2019

- 2nd — Wellbeing Day
- 3rd — Pantomime at school (paid for by PFCS)
- 5th — Open Evening 6pm
- 9th — Production dress rehearsal at 1.30pm
- 10th — Parent Forum at 3pm
- 12th — Production at 1.30pm and 6.30pm
- 20th — Chiddingly Christingle at church & end of term

January 2020

- 6th — INSET day
- 7th — Term 3 starts
- 22nd — Parent Forum at 9am

February 2020

- 14th — International Day & end of term
- 24th — Term 4 starts

March 2020

- 5th — World Book Day
- 10th & 12th — Parent Consultations 4pm-6pm
- 27th — Enrichment Day
- 31st — Parent Forum at 9am

April 2020

- 3rd — Easter Service at 2pm & end of term
- 4th — Easter Quiz
- 20th — Term 5 starts
- 29th — Parent Forum at 9am

May 2020

- 7th — VE Day celebrations
- 8th — School closed (bank holiday)
- 11th — Year 6 SATs Week
- 15th — Enrichment Day
- 22nd — Sports Day and picnic and end of term

June 2020

- 1st — INSET day
- 2nd — Term 6 starts
- 22nd — Sycamore residential trip (Monday to Wednesday)
- 23rd — Parent Forum at 9am

July 2020

- 3rd — School Disco
- 7th — Production dress rehearsal at 1.30pm
- 11th — Summer production 2pm and 6.30pm
- 12th — Reports out to parents
- 14th — Parent Consultations regarding reports only
- 21st — Leavers' Service at 2pm and end of term



AGM Update

At the AGM we agreed on our new committee.

Chair - Amy McGowan has agreed to be an interim Chair until we find one. If you would like to shadow Amy and take over this role please come and speak to her.

Secretary - Carolyn Robins

Treasurer - Kimberley Baldwin

Christmas Card Designs - Cauliflower Cards

Forms have been sent home. Please can you design with your children, over half term, and place your orders. If paying by cheque please make payable to 'Chiddingly School Association'. All orders need to be back by Tuesday 5th November to ensure orders are back for beginning of December.

Fancy Dress Disco

The PFCS would like to thank Neil Povey for doing the disco and to all the parents/ grandparents and carers who took time out of their busy schedule to volunteer and assist. Without this help these events could not happen. Also a big thank you to all the children who attended: they were very polite and well behaved.

Fundraising

So far this school year, the PFCS have raised £336.59 and this would not happen without the support from you all. Thank you. Our fundraising this year will be to supply a new iPad to each class room and, along with the school, to fund the replacement of the trim trail which will be around £15000+

If you would like to be involved with PFCS events or help behind the scenes please speak to Amy or Carolyn or email: pfcs@chiddingly.e-sussex.sch.uk

PFCS Dates

Saturday 2nd November - Chiddingly Village Market - Chiddingly Village Hall - 10am-12pm

Wednesday 6th November - Bag 2 School Collection - Outside School Hall - 8:55am

Saturday 30th November - PFCS Christmas Fair - School Hall - 10am to 1pm

Volunteers needed please

Monday 2nd December - Wreath Making Workshop - School Hall - 7:00pm - £15 per person - sign up sheet with Mrs Dann

Tuesday 3rd December - Mother Goose Pantomime - School Hall - 1:30pm

Saturday 7th December - Chiddingly Village Market - Chiddingly Village Hall - 10am-12pm



For new parents to the school and existing parents we would like to introduce you to the PFCS (Parents and Friends of Chiddingly School). We are school parents involved in raising funds to provide those little extras, to enhance your child's time at Chiddingly. These included a new stage for the children to use for their Christmas and summer productions, air conditioning for Sycamore classroom to name just a few.

The PFCS plays a crucial role in supporting Chiddingly School, and forging links with both parents and the local community. In the academic year 2018/2019 we supported the school, organising and running Christmas events including wreath making, Christmas Fair and sale of Christmas Cards produced by the children, Discos, Bingo Nights, Bags2School collection, and also an Easter Fair.

We run the hugely successful 50/50 club which alone is responsible for raising over £1500 each academic year.

We also provide tea and coffees at assemblies and school events.



Last year the PFCS raised just over £5,500. We are looking to build on that success and would love you to join us.



To ensure the PFCS continues to be a success and grow and develop with the needs of the school, we would like to extend the invitation to everyone to get involved, and offer your much-needed support in any way that you possibly can.

No one is going to be asked to offer any more assistance than they feel able to give, but any help will be gratefully received.

The PFCS meets at least every term, or more often subject to events and activities currently being scheduled to benefit the school.

Our next meeting is Thursday 7th November at 7:30pm at The Six Bells, Chiddingly. This meeting will include Event Planning for the Christmas events upcoming; this is where you can volunteer for a number of roles.

To find out more information please contact: Amy McGowan, Carolyn Robins and Kimberley Baldwin who can be found in the playground at drop off or pass a message to Reception and we will contact you. Details of the PFCS can be found in our noticeboard in the playground.

Alternatively you can now email us at pfcs@chiddingly.e-sussex.sch.uk.



We also have a page on Facebook which is a closed group where information is posted. You can request to join us. Find us under the group of Parents and Friends of Chiddingly School. We now also have a public group Events Page for Parents and Friends of Chiddingly Primary School to promote our public events.



As part of fundraising we have a 50/50 Club. This is a weekly draw of numbers 1-100 which are pulled out of a hat at the end of each term by the Head or Deputy Head. Should your number be drawn you will receive half of the funds for that week with the other half going towards school funds.

The club costs £1 a week per number. You can pay termly or for the whole year (total cost of £39 per number). Should you wish to get involved please contact Louise Champion who can provide you with current available numbers.

For those who were members last year, if you have not done so yet, please can you let Louise know whether you wish to stay in the club and if so, pay your subs as soon as possible.



We will be holding our popular and well attended Winter Fair on Saturday 30th November. We have arranged for plenty of outside stall holders with an array of gifts to purchase for Christmas, also there will be Santa's Grotto which we will be organising into pre-bookable sessions, cake stall, chocolate tombola, games, face painting and more.

As part of our Christmas fundraising, we will be organising Christmas cards for sale designed by each pupil which parents, families and friends can purchase. Look out for further information coming out shortly.



November

2nd - Village Market at Chiddingly Village Hall – 10am-12pm

6th - Bag2School Collection

11th - Remembrance Service at 9:25am (Serve Teas and Coffees)

22nd – Break the Rules Day - £1 or Chocolate for Xmas Fair

30th - Winter Fair at 10am

December

2nd - Wreath Making Workshop - 7pm

3rd - Mother Goose Panto at School – 1:30pm

7th - Village Market at Chiddingly Village Hall – 10am-12pm

12th - Christmas Production at 1:30pm and 6:30pm (Serve Teas and Coffees, Raffle at each performance)

January

We decided to have a quiet month with nothing planned.

February

1st - Village Market at Chiddingly Village Hall – 10am-12pm

15th/22nd - Jumble Sale or Nearly New Baby/Child Sale

24th - Bag2School Collection

March

7th - Village Market at Chiddingly Village Hall – 10am-12pm

April

3rd - Easter Service at 2pm

4th - Village Market at Chiddingly Village Hall – 10am-12pm

4th - Easter Quiz or Chocolate Bingo TBC

May

2nd - Village Market at Chiddingly Village Hall – 10am-12pm

7th - VE Day Celebrations

22nd - Sports Day and Picnic

24th - EH Family Fun Run

June

2nd - Bag2School Collection

6th - Village Market at Chiddingly Village Hall – 10am-12pm

July

3rd - End of year disco 3:30pm – 5:00pm

4th - Village Market at Chiddingly Village Hall – 10am-12pm

11th - Summer Production at 1:30pm and 6:30pm (Serve Teas and Coffees, Raffle at each performance)

21st - Leaver's Service at 2pm (Serve Teas and Coffees)

Parents and Friends of Chiddingly School Upcoming Events

21st October

PFCS AGM

Elect a new committee
and discuss future
events

7:30pm

22nd October

**Fancy Dress
Disco**

3:30pm - 5:00pm
£7.50 per child

Volunteers Required

6th November

**Bag 2 School
Collection**

Unwanted clothes,
shoes, cuddly toys to
be brought into school
by:

8:50am

22nd November

Break the Rules Day

Choice of rule to be
broken in exchange
for either chocolate
or £1



30th November

Winter Fair

Santa Grotto, Cakes,
Games, Grand
Raffle, Stalls and
lots of fun

10:00 am - 1:00pm

2nd December

**Wreath Making
Workshop**

£15 per person, spaces
are limited and need to
be booked

7:00pm

12th December

**Christmas
Production**

in School Hall

1:30pm and 6:30pm

20th December

End of Term

Happy Christmas!

The PFCS would like to
say thank you for all
your support so far this
year.



Parents and Friends of Chiddingly School



Monday 2nd December at 7:00pm

Chiddingly School Hall

Muddles Green, Chiddingly, East Sussex, BN8 6HN

£15 per person this will include mulled wine or hot drink and a mince pie.

Please bring your own scissors or wire cutters and any decorations, cinnamon sticks, orange slices etc

To book please see Mrs Dann at reception or speak to Amy McGowan or email: pfcs@chiddingly.e-sussex.sch.uk



WHY IT'S OKAY TO TALK ABOUT YOUR MENTAL HEALTH



@BELIEVEPHQ



Because it can help you feel better by talking about it



Because it is okay to talk about emotions and feelings



Because it is the first step to breaking the stigma



Because 1 in 4 of us experience a mental health problem



Because it is okay to feel anxious or low

Because it's okay to show weakness



Because it's okay to show you are struggling

Because it can help reduce feelings of shame



Because it is okay to not feel okay



Because by being open can help you to get support





**Albion in the
Community**



Chiddingly Primary School - Football

Tuesdays from 5 November - 10 December
3.15 - 4.15pm, £28.50 for 6 weeks

**Years
1 - 6**

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